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22	10/27/53	Re USFOTO A-23. Requisitions 470-017900-4-4104R and 470-017900-16-4106R	Uncl.
23	10/29/53	Request 2 copies of Pt. 4 Agency Memo #62 "Representation Allowances - Pt 4 Personnel"	Uncl.
24	10/31/53	Advice of Charge No. 301-3, Sept. 30, '53 cost of travel Jeannette Potter	Uncl.
29	11/30/53	Cancelled (Show Blank)	
32	11/8/53	Missing TOUSFO A-11	Uncl.
34	11/11/53	Monthly Program Summary - October 1953	Conf.
35	11/19/53	AIRPAR Sanitary Engineer	
36	11/21/53	AIRPAR Chief Public Health Nurse	
37	11/21/53	AIRPAR Sanitarian	
38	11/21/53	AIRPAR Public Health Physician	
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TOUSFO A 40	11/25/53	Employment Report Locals & Americans	Uncl.
41	11/29/53	AIRPAR Agricultural Extension Specialist (Irrigated Farming)	
42	11/29/53	Agricultural Extension Specialist AIRPAR	
43	11/29/53	Agricultural Extension Specialist AIRPAR	
44	11/29/53	Animal Husbandry Specialist AIRPAR	
45	11/29/53	Agronomist AIRPAR	
46	12/1/53	AIRPAR Construction Engineer, Highway & Public Works	
47	12/1/53	Jawad biog sketch (None in files)	
48	1/7/54	~~Information requested regarding Mafiaa Control~~ Monthly Program Summary - November 1953	Und Conf
49	12/6/53	Can use two Minneapolis Moline tractors.	Uncl.
50	12/10/53	Reference to USFOTO 107 regarding Allotment obligations.	Uncl.
51	1/7/54	Murshid, application for Type C training	Uncl.
52	1/7/54	Khomais, " " " " "	Uncl.
53	1/9/54	FOA Monthly Program Summary	Conf.
54	1/7/54	AIRPAR Telephone Communications	Uncl.
55	1/9/54	Mohammed Quaiz, Hijaili, Nor, Zazoe, Darandry Applications for Type C Training	Uncl.
56	1/9/54	AIRPAR Secy. Agri. Div.	Uncl.
57	1/9/54	AIRPAR Secy. Trans. & Comm.	Uncl.
58	1/9/54	Rasheed, Yacoub Application for Type C training	Uncl.
59	1/9/54	AIRPAR Secy. Educ. Div. Haddock	Uncl.
60	1/9/54	AIRPAR Secy. Health & San. Div.	Uncl.
61	1/9/54	AIRPAR Secy. Natl. Resources Div	Uncl.
62	1/9/54	AIRPAR Reassignment Pub. Adm. John Bode	Uncl.
63	1/10/54	Wasfi Ezzee Appl. Type C. Trining	Uncl.

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64	1/12/54	AIRPAR Coordinator of RR Training and Industrial Materials . Education Div.	Uncl.
65	1/16/54	Daghastany, Hasan Application for Type C Training	Uncl.
66	1/16/53	Cross Reference Sheet (We do not want any Chloramphenical)	Uncl.
67	1/17/54	AIRPAR Budget & Fiscal O.	Uncl.
68	1/18/54	AIRPAR Administrative O.	Uncl.
69	1/18/54	Kennedy, Robert Pay & Lv Card	Uncl.
70	1/19/54	Instructions Issued re Numbering of Requisitions	Uncl.

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71	1/19/54	Reference regarding Mr. Bode's Position	Uncl.
72	1/19/54	Reference regarding Miss Haddock's position.	Uncl.
73	1/25/54	Separation Allowance--Edward F. Sinclair	Uncl.
74	1/26/54	Nomination for the W. A. Jump Memorial	Uncl.
75	2/9/54	Transmittal of SF No. 61 on Moser & Anderson	Uncl.
76		Cancelled (Show Blank)	
77	2/11/54	Monthly Program Summary - January 1954	Conf.
78	2/11/54	Mission Purchase of Furniture (Stewart)	Uncl.
79	2/11/54	Req. 470-255900-26-4109R - 1 Storage Bldg.	Uncl.
80	2/14/54	Transmittal of DS-8 Clearance for Final Salary for John A. Dunaway	Uncl.
81	2/20/54	Combs, Carlotta - Oath of Office form transmitted	Uncl.
82	2/21/54	Withholding Statements of Hazleton & Taylor	
83	2/21/54	AIRPAR, Stewart's Replacement, (See Airpar)	
84	3/2/54	Official Mission Post Report	Uncl.
85	3/2/54	Air Pouch Transit Times	Uncl.
86	3/2/54	Anderson, Pat., Chest x-ray	Uncl.
87	3/2/54	Sayed Sami Kutbi's Statement Ref:TOUSFO A-78	Uncl.
88	3/2/54	Budget, Fiscal and Accounting Responsibilities of FOA Mission and Embassy	Uncl.

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89	3/9/54	Distribution of Travel Orders	Uncl.
90	3/9/54	Private Investment (Possibilities)	Uncl.
91	3/9/54	RE: USFOTO A-77 Aramco performing Malaria control	Uncl.
92	3/9/54	Monthly Program Summary-February	Conf.
93	3/9/54	Clarifiaction of Specifiaation, -3108R	Uncl.
94	3/9/54	Leave Data	Uncl.
95	3/9/54	Representation Allowances	Uncl.
96	3/9/54	Payroll Savings Campaign	Uncl.
97	3/9/54	Receiving Report, Purchase Order Industrial Instruments	Uncl.
98	3/16/54	Foreign Service Requisitioning Guide	Uncl.
99	3/11/54	Research Contracts	Uncl.
100	3/11/54	PA 470-4001 Attached Approved prints.	Uncl.
102	3/16/54	FOA General Notice # 54-3 dated 2/8/54 Office Procedures Handbook	Uncl.
103	3/16/54	Mission Requirements - FOA Forms	Uncl.
104	3/23/54	PA .....4105R Increase authorized	Uncl.
105	3/30/54	American Red Cross Fund Campaign	Uncl.
106	3/30/54	Excess Government Property	Uncl.
107	4/6/54	Medical Clearances, Combs Scudder, Everett U	Uncl.
108	4/6/54	Transmittal Oath of Officer Rountree	Uncl.
109	4/6/54	Separation Allowances, Mrs Sinclair	Uncl.

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TOUSFO - A			
110	4/6/54	Letterheads	Uncl.
111	4/6/54	Monthly Program Summary - March 1954	Uncl.
112	4/13/54	Nugali, Abbas Ahamn Application for Type C training grant	Uncl.
113	4/13/54	Changes in Specifications and additional Funds	Uncl.
114	4/12/54	Health & Sanitation Supplies	Uncl.
115	4/13/54	Bajunaid, Abdul Kader, Application for Type C trining Grant	Uncl.
116	4/20/54	MSA (ECA) Commodity Code Book	Uncl.
117	4/27/54	Turki, Abdul Application Type C Training	Uncl.
118	4/27/54	Request for a Supply of Form FOA 582	Unxl.
119	4/27/54	Madani, Hashin Application Type C Train.	Uncl.
~~120~~ 120	5/6/54	Separation Allowance - Ed Sinclair	Uncl.
121	5/6/54	Manual Order Transmittal Letters	Uncl.
122	5/6/54	Post Report Supplements	Uncl.
123	5-4-54	Copies of personnel actions of foreign National Employees	Uncl.
124	5-4-54	Personnel leave records, assigned to USAOM	Uncl.
125	5-4-54	Mary Parrish, Personnel Data	Uncl.

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126	5/4/54	Applications for Training in Pub. Admin. at AUB	Uncl.
127	5/18/54	Separation Dates of employees returned to U. S.	Uncl.
128	5/20/54	TFTaylor Designated Deputy Fair Employment Officer	Uncl.
129	5/22/54	Stories for release in US, Mr. Betzig Designated to get material	Uncl.
130	5/22/54	Proposed Distribution of Issuances, No Changes are necessary	Uncl.
131	5/22/54	American Catalog Files (Report)	Uncl.
132	5/23/54	Data for Biographic Requests sent FAO	Uncl.
133	5/29/54	Potential Pubad Trainees, Murshad, Khomais, Ezzee	Conf.
134	6/8/54	Visit and report of Van Dyke RE: highway program	Uncl.
135	6/9/54	This Mission would appreciate Opportunity to comment on reclassification in higher grade	Uncl.
136	6/13/54	Request that A*83 be blocked out	Uncl.
137	6/9/54	Schooling for dependents in Saudia Arabia	Uncl.
138	6/12/54	APO Facilities in Jidda	Uncl.
139	6/17/54	Monthly Program Summary - May 1954	Uncl.
140	6/20/54	Orientation of Contract Personnel	Uncl.

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SECTION I. CRITIQUE

During the month it was announced that Mr. Harland J. Gorson had been appointed Country Director. He is expected to arrive during the first week in October accompanied by Mr. Willis B. Haaleton, Program Officer.

Much time was spent by the Director, his staff and Division Chiefs working on the FY-54 and FY-55 Operating Programs and Budget Estimates.

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At the beginning of the month, announcement was made of the formation of a new Ministry of Communications--headed by Prince Talal. As far as is now known the new Ministry will not deal with civil aviation which, it is believed, will remain under the Ministry of Defense, headed by Prince Misha'al. Most of the functions allotted to the new Ministry were formerly exercised by the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. Jones, Charge d'Affaires, and the Acting Director held a series of conferences with the Minister of Finance on the general subject of economic aid to Saudi Arabia from the special fund appropriated for Near Eastern countries. In the course of the conferences, the Minister outlined some twenty-five projects which he stated SAG intended to undertake in the immediate future and stated further that SAG would welcome financial aid for any or all of them. These conferences have been more fully reported in a recent Embassy Despatch.

Relations with SAG were handicapped by the fact that during the month the Finance Minister departed for Beirut and was expected to be gone for from three to four months. Shaikh Abdullah has been one of the main proponents of TCA in the Government and, up to now, his approval has been necessary on virtually all agreements involving funds. In his absence, his son, Abdul Aziz, and his nephew, Suleiman al-Hamad, are in charge of the Ministry. Neither, however, has authority commensurate to that of the Minister of Finance himself, in whose absence it is sometimes difficult to obtain necessary Government action on TCA programs and projects. Another complicating factor in this situation is the continued absence of Prince Abdullah al-Feisal, Minister of Health and Interior, who has been out of the country since June and is not expected to return before the end of October. It has been rumored that Prince Abdullah may be relieved of one of his portfolios upon his return to the country. His absence means that, for the moment, the Ministry of Health lacks effective leadership. Currently, Syrian doctors employed by the Government are making strenuous efforts to eliminate the Egyptian, Italian, and French doctors more recently engaged. The employment of Germans is gaining favor, with this policy being carried out in Government military hospitals in Taif, Riyadh, and Al Kharj. These hospitals are staffed, or will be staffed, by Germans. While the Director General of Health is still nominally in charge of the Ministry of Health, actual conduct of the Ministry's affairs is, at the

moment, exercised by a Syrian doctor, Bashir al-Bami, who holds the rank of Deputy Minister of Health and is, in addition, personal physician to the wife of Prince Abdullah's father, Prince Feisal. The Directorate of Education, which comes under Prince Abdullah al-Feisal's jurisdiction, is also suffering from a lack of positive leadership.

The Director General of Agriculture who is under the control of the Finance Minister has either been out of the country or when in Saudi Arabia does not go to his office at the department. Whether or not he intends to continue in his position is not known. The Department has suffered considerably under his directorship through lack of effective leadership and his present virtual abandonment of his post has contributed even further to its ineffectiveness. Abdul Aziz, the Acting Deputy Minister of Finance, is available for consultation re department matters. However, his youthfulness and many other duties have made him ineffective even in such simple matters as employing a man to act as a Saudi counterpart for TCA agricultural work.

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SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

A reconnaissance survey was made in the Jidda area relative to livestock numbers, type and breeds, feed problems, range and re-vegetation conditions and farming in general by Parker, Schwan and Stewart.

Preparations were made for an extensive observation trip planned by these three technicians. They will leave Jidda the 5th or 6th of October and will go through central and eastern Arabia. They will study and observe range conditions and vegetation with the view towards later work on range management. Such matters as livestock conditions and possibilities of improvement, crops, irrigation technique and farming practices will also be observed.

Mr. Stewart and family arrived in Jidda on September 5th. Mr. Moon, hospitalized in Germany following an accident in Saudi Arabia, has recuperated. His doctors state he may return to duty but advise against his returning to Arabia due to the severity of the dust conditions.

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

The date study by Mr. Nixon continues according to plan.

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Education

Due to a serious lack of teachers several members of the School Committee have agreed to assume temporarily teaching and operational responsibilities. The Commercial School reopened after the Hadj on schedule.

A conference with Abdul Aziz, Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance, was held to discuss the country-wide development project. A conference was held with Prince Talall to discuss training railroad employees and also to send some trainees to the United States.

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Health

Work was continued by Skrinde in cooperation with Saudi Health personnel on plans and specifications to renovate the disinfecting building. He and Butler also assisted Saudi officials in planning the interior layout of the Quarantine Station laboratory building.

Plans and specifications for hospital and sanatoria construction were loaned to the Swedish architect who is designing a sanatorium which is to be built at Taif by the Health Ministry.

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Natural Resources

The geologic investigations at Lith, started in August, were completed early in September. Sites for well drilling have been designated but drilling operations were delayed due to the employment of the drillers at other sites.

Field trips to check on drilling operations were made to the Taif and Khulais areas. A trip was made to Yenbo-Medina area to check on drilling in Yenbo-Nalehl and to complete geologic mapping on that section of the Riyadh-Jidda rail line.

With the completion and testing of two wells producing almost 500 gallons and 200 gallons per minute respectively in Wadi Khulais, it is expected that intensive development work on agricultural projects in that wadi will begin shortly.

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SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

Public Administration

Many conferences were held by Mr. Kennedy with customs authorities and officials of the Ministry of Finance on various phases of the plans for improvement of the administration of customs. Agreement was reached with the customs officials on a solution to the valuation difficulties encountered by the Customs Administration.

Discussions with Shaikh Abdul Aziz indicated his dissatisfaction with the present practice of placing responsibility for loss or damage to goods while in Customs' custody on shipping agents. However, no positive action has yet been taken. The question of holding up the issuance of new customs regulations drawn up by customs officials has not been decided. Mr. Kennedy has urged that a detailed study be made before any new regulations are issued.

The English edition of the tariff and commodity index was mimeographed and turned over to SAG for distribution. Special attention was given to the new "bill of entry" and the new procedure which its use will entail. Customs officials say the bill is being printed in Mecca.

Mr. Kennedy and family left Jidda during the latter part of the month on home leave. It is not known at this point if he is returning to Jidda or taking a new assignment.

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Transportation & Communications

On September 17, Mr. Dunaway and Mr. Sinclair held a conference with Prince Talall, Minister of the newly-created Ministry of Transportation & Communications, at which matters coming under the Prince's authority were discussed. He was informed that the present TCA budget contains no money for transportation or communication projects such as fall under his jurisdiction. It was explained that the proposed Visual Omni Range Equipment project for possible installation at the Jidda Airport came under the Ministry of Defense.

The proposed allocations of money from the Special Economic Aid fund was explained to the Prince. It was stated that priority would probably be given to water development -- a highway from Taif to Abha, a dam at Abha for irrigation, development of harbor facilities at Gizan and improvements to certain airports.

He was informed that the Finance Minister was interested in having a merchant marine expert come and make a study of organizing and operating a merchant marine fleet. The Prince showed interest in this pro-

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

posal although he said that perhaps this expert could be held up until engineers for highway construction and telephone communications were recruited.

The Prince manifested doubt as to the economic feasibility of building the Riyadh-Jidda railroad. He thought the money would be better employed if spent on the construction of highways, communication facilities, improvement of shipping facilities, etc. He inquired as to TCA's opinion in this matter. He was told that the TCA-RR survey did not imply that the proposition was economically sound. Mr. Dunaway stated that while his opinion was not based on an intensive survey, he was doubtful as to the economic feasibility of the railroad.

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b. Local Participation

Nothing new to report.

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c. Training

Sadek Hussaini left for the U. S. on a leader grant to attend demonstrations of water spreading and range management.

4 trainees departed for the U. S. during the month.

All efforts to get trainees into AUB have failed either as a result of complications with government ministries or due to AUB entrance requirements.

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SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Nothing to report.

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SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS & REQUESTS

a. Agreements Executed - None.

b. Agreements under Current Negotiation - The Commercial School Agreement is in the process of discussion.

c. Implementation of Agreement - Nothing to report.

SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS & REQUESTS (CONTINUED)

d. Requests

Agriculture - Dr. Edens discussed proposed projects for FY-54 with the Acting Director of the Department of Agriculture and the Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance. Further discussions will have to be held before any definite commitments are made.

Similar discussions were held by other division chiefs.

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SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

Nothing to report.

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SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT 4

FAO

Fertilizer plant - A conference was held by Mr. Jones and Mr. Dunaway with the Minister of Finance at which the gas-fertilizer plant proposal was discussed. Mr. Aalto, FAO engineer who has just completed a study of the proposition, participated. The Minister demonstrated great interest in the matter and said the plant would be built regardless of cost or profit.

Aalto said the plant would yearly produce 400,000 tons of ammonium sulphate at an estimated production cost of $40 per ton FOB Bahrain. The C.I.F. price at Bombay ranges between $90 to $100 per ton. He stated that interest, depreciation, amortization and other cost elements are included in his estimate. The construction cost of the plant was placed at over $60,000,000. On being questioned concerning potential markets, Aalto said he had no exact information but that great need existed for fertilizer in India, Pakistan, China, etc. The Finance Minister suggested that a price of $60 per ton would yield a fair profit and allow the poorer countries to buy the product thereby increasing agricultural production and lifting the living standard.

The matter of methods of financing the plant's construction was not discussed. Mr. Jones expressed the USA's great interest in all projects calculated to increase agricultural production.

Mr. Aalto was instructed by the Minister of Finance to furnish TCA with a copy of his report but so far the report has not been received. Mr. Aalto prepared invitation for bids for constructing the proposed fertilizer plant but in view of the lack of arrangements for financing the plant and the

SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT 4 (CONTINUED)

cost involved in preparing detailed plans and specifications, it seems doubtful if reputable concerns will respond to the invitation. Information has been received from a reliable source that Mr. Aalto is negotiating with the Ministry of Finance for employment as a consultant.

Dates - Work on processing and packaging dates is continuing under Mr. Carlson's direction. A small packing plant has been set up in Jidda in addition to one previously installed at Hofuf. Dates are to be packed for the local market, specifically for the pilgrim trade, and also for export.

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WHO Nothing new to report.

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SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Nothing to report.

John A. Dunaway
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Kindly rush one copy Standardized Allowance Regulations attention Controller, and arrange to have our Mission placed on mailing list to receive subsequent additions and amendments.

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TO : Foreign Operations Administration, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

October 6, 1953
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SUBJECT: Arrival of Miss Jeannette E. Potter in Jidda

For Public Health Service.

Miss Potter arrived Jidda October 5.

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October 6, 1953

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Reference is made to Point 4 Field Memorandum No. 3 dated July 31, 1953, Subject: Allotment Pattern - 1954 Fiscal Year.

Sub-Section 1233.08 provides for new object classification coding of administrative costs. These costs as defined in Sub-Section 1233.10 are expenditures from administrative funds appropriated under Symbol 72-1141000 (10).

No mention is made of the applicability of Sub-Section 1233.08 to program costs although the following new object classification codes apparently can pertain to none other:

019 - Other Personal Services, which includes reimbursements to federal agencies of personal services of individuals working in TCA offices under the direct supervision of TCA. (We presume that the individuals referred to are technicians.)

111 - Contributions to Joint Funds.

112 - Trainee Grants.

Clarification of this matter is requested. Recoding will be held in abeyance pending receipt of your comments.

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~~THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.~~

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SUBJECT:

The appointment of Mr. Roy W. Nixon as horticulturist to this Mission for a period of six months was confirmed by the United States Department of Agriculture and TCA on June 24, 1953.

After his arrival at Jidda on July 7 Mr. Nixon informed us that TCA/W had assured him that he will be "in continuous travel status" from the time he leaves Washington until his return.

Mr. Nixon's activity is in the field of date culture in the area from Qatif to Dhahran and Riyadh. He departed for Dhahran on July 11.

This Office has issued the usual Field Travel Authorization permitting the payment to Mr. Nixon of a per diem of $12.00 in the field and $18.00 in Riyadh and Dhahran, less one-fifth of the per diem rate for each meal and/or lodging provided without charge by a Government Agency. These rates are currently in effect for TCA personnel stationed in Jidda.

Mr. Nixon remained a few days in Jidda before his departure for Dhahran, and it is estimated that he will spend from 4 to 6 weeks in Jidda for the purpose of writing a report on his survey prior to his return to Washington.

No cost of living allowance is paid Mr. Nixon, and as the aforementioned travel order does not include per diem for Jidda, Mr. Nixon has raised the question of his reimbursement while in Jidda, where he will live in Government-leased furnished quarters.

Since we are not acquainted with the "continuous travel status" arrangements mentioned by Mr. Nixon, it will be appreciated if you will advise us on what basis to reimburse him for the time he stayed and will stay in Jidda.

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SUBJECT: Transmittal of Personnel Folder - Miss Patricia I. Marlin

For Personnel Division, FOA/W

In accordance with MUSTO Circular A-20, dated August 14, 1953, there is transmitted herewith the personnel folder of Miss Patricia I. Marlin, who has been transferred to Amman, Jordan.

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SUBJECT: TCA: Supplies and Equipment; Request for Chlorine Residual Testing Set.

Reference: USFOTO A-18.

Obligation No. 4 has been increased in the amount of $12.00.

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SUBJECT: TCA: Supplies and Equipment: Request for Drawing Materials Requisition 470-322-12 and Purchase Order H-470-322-12

Inasmuch as we can obtain items 3, 6, 7 and 8 through the local market, we are not submitting new requisition.

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See "Supplies + Equip" of TOUSFO A-14 for attachment of TECTO A-15.

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DATE

REF : TECTO A-11 dated September 12, 1953

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SUBJECT: Supplies & Equipment: Safe Files

One safe file arrived here on August 8, 1953 and when it was uncrated it was found in such a damaged condition that it is of no use whatsoever. A claim is being filed covering this damage.

As to the missing safe file, the agents for the American Export Lines here in Jidda have instituted a search for this safe file but as yet have been unable to locate it. We shall follow this matter with the American Export Lines agents.

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FOA/Jidda TOUSFO A-17

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX October 19, 1953
Foreign Operations Administration

Maps of Saudi Arabia

We would like to have you send us three sets of sectional maps covering the entire country of Saudi Arabia. In addition, a large single sheet map of Saudi Arabia showing physical features and 25 small blank maps, such as those which Mr. Malcolm R. McCormick has in the Program and Planning office, will be appreciated. The Foreign Service Institute has, in the past, given a map kit to each student and they may still be available from that source.

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SUBJECT:

For: Administrative Services Division
Distribution Section

Att: Mrs. Ganeshan

Kindly ship via air pouch sconest the following:

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FROM : FOA/Jidda

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DESP. NO.

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.
FOREIGN OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION

October 20, 1953

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REF : Our WIRGM 834 of April 28 and Your WIRGM 617 of May 1, 1953

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SUBJECT: Request authority to spend $800 additional for Chevrolet Water Tank Truck

Referring to our WIRGM 834, dated April 28, 1953, requesting authority to purchase a Chevrolet water tank truck at a cost of $5,000.00, and your WIRGM 617, dated May 1, 1953, authorizing such purchase:

Mr. John A. Stacy, former Acting Executive Officer at this Mission, issued our local purchase order No. 477, dated May 14, 1953, ordering the above mentioned tank truck from M. M. Zahid & Brothers, Jidda, at an approximate cost of $5,500.00.

In a letter from Mr. Stacy to Mr. Dunaway, Acting Director, dated July 21, 1953, giving an account of the equipment purchased in connection with the Rural Community Project in the Asir, this tank truck is shown therein at a cost of $5,800.00. Also, in reply to your WIRGM 52, dated August 8, 1953, a statement was prepared and forwarded to Washington with our Office Memorandum TOTEC 17, dated August 20, 1953 showing the cost of this piece of equipment as $5,800.00.

The water tank truck was delivered to us by Zahid & Brothers and in turn delivered to the Saudi Arabian Government, this being one of the units of equipment which the SAG requested us to furnish. Zahid & Brothers have presented their bill for $5,800.00 and in order to pay this bill we are requesting authority to expend $800 additional for this equipment which is the difference between the amount shown in WIRGM 834 and that shown in Mr. Stacy's letter of July 21, 1953.

As you are aware, this $800 will come out of the $150,000 obligated for the purchase of equipment in connection with the Asir Rural Community Project, and further we are desirous of having our records here complete in connection with any further purchase of equipment under this project.

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SUBJECT:

Obligation No. 4 increased in the amount of $40.

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U.S. Operations Mission
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October 28, 1953

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Dear Paul:

Enclosed are the Annual Plans of Work - Functional Programs for FY 1954 and FY 1955 as called for by Circular Airgram A-23, August 18, 1953.

It should be noted that these plans are being forwarded as drawn up originally by the Division Chiefs. During the past week the FY 1955 budget has been under review and revisions, and proposed supplemental budgets are being drawn up for the respective divisions.

The Director and Chief of the Education Division have agreed on a revision of the FY 1954 budget for that program. This revision is dependent upon completing negotiations with SAG regarding a cooperative type of agreement involving the enlargement of the Dammam Railroad Training School. When the discussions have been completed, FOA/W will be informed immediately.

The attention of FOA/W is called to the Annual Plan of Work for the Agriculture Division wherein certain budget items were not distributed amongst the projects; this includes $8000 for local personnel, $24,500 for vehicle and camping equipment, and $20,000 for field costs.

In the Annual Plan of Work for the Health Division the FY 1954 budget included an unnumbered project in the amount of $17,500 with comments in the presentation that money refunded for such expenses was to be attributed to the Rural Community Development Project. In reality, the cost of the personnel and equipment covered by the unnumbered project will not be used exclusively for the Rural Community Development Project but instead for various health projects. However, lacking definite instructions as to how such divisional expenses should be included in the budget, this unnumbered project was drawn up to cover this amount. We have already written FOA/W for instructions as to the disposition to be made in budgets for the cost of non-Program Direction local personnel.

Mr. Paul F. Taggart,
Chief, Iraq-Jordan-Saudi Arabia Branch, NEADS,
Foreign Operations Administration,
Washington 25, D. C.

In checking over the work plan as presented by the Public Administration Division with the figures presented in the summary table, Form I - US Dollar Costs - we note that the table shows six persons for FY 1954 and five for FY 1955. The work plan gives four for both fiscal years.

Sincerely yours,

Harland J. Corson
Director
U.S. Operations Mission
to Saudi Arabia

Enclosure -
Annual Plans of Work-
Functional Programs for
FY 1954 and FY 1955

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.
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SUBJECT: FY 1954 and FY 1955 Technical Cooperation Operating Programs

ANNUAL PLANS OF WORK - FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMS

Agriculture Division

1. Objectives

The prime objective is to improve and increase agricultural production.

2. Problems in Field of Activity

The two major problems of Agriculture in Saudi Arabia are (1) a very scarce water supply, and (2) low production standards. Other rural problems — inadequate food supplies, nutritional deficiencies, poor health facilities, and a high illiteracy ratio — spring directly from this need for water and increased production. Any effort by the SAG and Point 4 to solve these problems must have as its primary objective an increased water supply and improved agricultural practices.

3. Existing Governmental or Other Programs

In 1949 a Department of Agriculture was established in the Ministry of Finance to provide ways and means of improving agriculture throughout the Kingdom. However, it is rather feeble in its present efforts to improve the lot of the farmers. About three years ago FAO was invited by the Government to initiate a technical assistance program. A date project is in operation; a small training school has been started and the land and water survey and study in Gizan is reaching the final stage.

4. Means of Resolution

The Agriculture Division of USOM is planning to follow a general plan of agricultural improvement in cooperation with the SAG by selecting rural communities in which programs of improvement are to be initiated. Also, the Division will cooperate with the Government in the proposal and conduct of specific agricultural projects. Extension technicians, with their Saudi counterparts,

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are to be stationed in the selected communities whose objectives are to advise and teach present and prospective farmers improved farming methods.

The Agriculture Division has been recruiting a staff in the fields of agronomy (crops), animal husbandry, soils, entomology, horticulture, farm irrigation, range management and range water spreading. These specialists and the counterparts to be provided by SAG are to be responsible for providing guidance and assistance in area programs and projects.

At this time the only operating project is a study of date varieties.

5. Organization

In cooperation with the Government, efforts will be made to (1) foster the improvement of government services to agricultural producers by assisting in the development of a strong Department of Agriculture which will place increased emphasis on agricultural research, education, and extension work, (2) develop greater confidence on the part of farmers of Saudi Arabia in the services which their government will provide, (3) encourage the development of new farm lands where sufficient water is available and where such development appears economically feasible, and (4) provide technical assistance to the Government in the development of a farm marketing program.

6. Work Plans

Project No. 1 - Livestock Experimental Farm

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2	2
Supplies and Equipment	25,000	—
Local Costs	5,000	5,000
Total Costs	$30,000	$5,000

This is a project for FY 1954 and FY 1955. Its purpose is to study carefully the breeds of farm animals and to determine what can be done to increase the quality and quantity of their production. The use of purebred sires will play an important role in such a program. A further purpose of the project is to make available to farmers useful findings of the experimental farm so more desirable traits may be transmitted to the high producers now found on farms. In addition to the breeding program, this project is planned to include experimental feeding practices, disease and pest control, production records, and the care and management of the various types of livestock.

Project No. 2 - Establishment of Range Management Demonstration Plots in Three Grazing Areas of Saudi Arabia

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3	3
Supplies and Equipment	12,300	8,200
Local Costs	—	1,000
Total Costs	$12,300	$9,200

This is a project for FY 1954 and FY 1955. Its purpose is to investigate ways and means of improving and conserving range grasses, shrubs and other forage crops for livestock. The land will be selected so conditions can be controlled relative to the amount of grazing, seeding native grasses, and introducing new grasses that have been grown successfully under similar or arid conditions. This experimental work is useful for showing farmers and herdsmen what can be done to improve range use and management.

Project No. 3 - Demonstration of Improving Land Drainage in the Al Hasa Oasis

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3	3
Supplies and Equipment	25,000	20,000
Local Costs	5,000	—
Total Costs	$30,000	$20,000

This is a project for FY 1954 and FY 1955. Its objective is to demonstrate improved drainage practices, and thereby (1) increase present crop production, (2) reclaim high-salt-content soils where practical, and (3) lower the oasis water table by means of more adequate drainage canals which will not only increase present production, but will permit the production of fruits and vegetables that now cannot be produced profitably. Additional soil surveys, water studies, mapping and canal construction will be required.

Project No. 4 - Crop Experimental Plot near Hofuf

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3	3
Supplies and Equipment	7,000	3,500
Local Costs	850	500
Total Costs	$7,850	$4,000

This is a project for FY 1954 and FY 1955. Its objective is to improve crop production by determining (1) the more desirable varieties of food and forage crops adapted to the area, (2) methods by which they can best be produced, and (3) ways and means of more effective insect and disease control. The crop testing plot will be used also for instructing agricultural extension leaders and local farmers in an improved crop production program for the entire area.

Project No. 5 - Distribution of Purebred Sires

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2	2
Supplies and Equipment	12,000	16,000
Local Costs	430	—
Total Costs	$12,430	$16,000

This is a project for FY 1954 and FY 1955. Its purpose is to demonstrate that the quality of grade livestock can be improved by using purebred sires from herds of sheep, goats and dairy cows. This project will supplement the work carried on at the Livestock Experimental Farm. The same facilities will be used when necessary, and the project will be under the supervision of the Saudi Department of Agriculture and an Agriculture Division technician in animal husbandry.

Project No. 6 - Distribution of Purebred Sires (Riyadh Area)

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2
Supplies and Equipment	25,000
Local Costs	7,000
Total Costs	$32,000

This project is similar to Project No. 5 described above. The purpose of this project is to demonstrate that quality of grade livestock can be improved by using purebred sires from herds of sheep, goats and dairy cows.

Project No. 7 - Establishment of Two Range Management Demonstration Plots

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3
Supplies and Equipment	7,000
Local Costs	1,200
Total Costs	$8,200

This project is similar to Project No. 2, and will be established in other important grazing areas in Saudi Arabia.

Project No. 8 - Establishment of Two Crop Experimental Plots (in widely separated areas)

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	4
Supplies and Equipment	15,700
Local Costs	—
Total Costs	$15,700

The purpose of this project is identical with the purpose of Project No. 4. Consequently the narrative description would be the same.

Project No. 9 - Demonstration of Improved Land Drainage at Qatif

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3
Supplies and Equipment	24,000
Local Costs	1,000
Total Costs	$25,000

The purpose of this project is to demonstrate improved drainage practices and thereby (1) increase present crop production, (2) reduce high salt content of soils, and (3) lower the oasis water table by means of more adequate ditches and canals, which will not only increase present crop production, but will permit the production of fruits and vegetables that now cannot be grown profitably. Soil surveys, water studies and mapping for better irrigation practices will be required.

Project No. 10 - Demonstration of Building Five Trench Silos

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	—
Local Costs	1,000
Total Costs	$1,000

The purpose of this project is to demonstrate the usefulness of inexpensive trench silos in the preservation of scarce forage crops so that they may be fed more economically to livestock.

Project No. 11 - Establish the Grading and Weighing of Livestock in Two Central Markets

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2
Supplies and Equipment	800
Local Costs	1,200
Total Costs	$2,000

The objective of this project is to demonstrate that farmers and herdsmen usually receive more for their animals when they are sold by grade and weight. The Agriculture Division animal husbandry specialist, in cooperation with the SAG Department of Agriculture, will establish and supervise this project.

Project No. 12 - Construction of Four (4) Permanent Dipping Vats for Livestock

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2
Supplies and Equipment	—
Local Costs	1,000
Total Costs	$1,000

The purpose of this project is to demonstrate a method of controlling external parasites of livestock, and thereby improve the quality of meat and wool. It may be difficult at first to get farmers and herdsmen to participate in such a project, but it is a demonstration that has proven its value wherever tried.

Project No. 13 - Locust Control Unit

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	25,000
Local Costs	-
Total Costs	$25,000

The objective of this project is to supplement the efforts being made by a number of organizations to control locust invasions in the Near East.

Project No. 14 - Demonstration of Waterspreading in One or More Localities

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	4
Supplies and Equipment	40,000
Local Costs	—
Total Costs	$40,000

The objective of this project is to divert water which rushes down wadis on to adjacent land where it is spread by a series of small contour levees so that it may sink into dry soils and furnish moisture for the production of range forage crops. This is an inexpensive way of revegetating grazing lands, and even providing grain crops for human food.

Project No. 15 - Improved Vegetable Production

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	3
Supplies and Equipment	1,200
Local Costs	—
Total Costs	$1,200

The purpose of this project is to test ways and means of improving vegetables which are produced throughout Saudi Arabia, and which constitute an important food supply.

Health Division

1. Objectives

The strengthening of the administrative and budgetary procedures of the Health Ministry is the long range objective of this Division. The development of a public health program in various parts of Arabia is a further objective.

2. Problems in Field of Activity

The following conditions summarize the difficulties confronting work in this field: a poorly organized Ministry; great shortage of Saudis trained for health work, together with a lack of training facilities; a combination of an inadequate health budget for the work to be done together with frequent unwise and improper spending of funds; the desire on the part of many high officials to keep the 'status quo' even to the extent of hindering the trainee program; lack of reasonably sufficient health facilities with existing facilities in poor condition and improperly maintained, equipped, supplied and administered; primitive sanitary facilities with little understanding of the importance of many sanitation procedures.

3. Existing Governmental or Other Programs

The Health Ministry operates hospitals in Jidda, Mecca, Taif, Medina, Riyadh and other cities and towns. A quarantine service exists primarily to handle the pilgrim traffic. The annual budget for the Ministry is roughly $6,500,000. WHO has a number of specialists in Saudi Arabia including an advisor on public health administration, a venereal disease control team, a malaria control team and a quarantine advisor.

A number of private hospitals and clinics exist in a number of cities.

4. Means of Resolution

The bad state of health of the Saudi people can be attributed to their being in the mass illiterate, malnourished, and poor. T.B., intestinal diseases, malaria, trachoma, V.D., etc., are widespread. Modern hospitals are just beginning to function with a preventative medicine program existing primarily on paper only. Hence, making the Saudi people healthy calls for a long range program. TCA hopes to strengthen the Ministry and to help develop a real will to pursue actively a public health program that will reach the masses of people who today are born and die without the services that should be made available to them.

5. Organization

The Ministry of Health headquarters are in Mecca. An office of the Ministry has recently been established in Jidda and almost daily contact is maintained with the health officials located there. Two American technicians are assigned directly to the Ministry and carry out their duties in cooperation with their Saudi associates. As other technicians arrive, it is expected they will receive similar assignments. In this way it is proposed that TCA will be able to integrate its program into the operations of the Ministry.

6. Work Plans

Project No. 1 - Health Facility Development

	FY 54
U.S. Technicians	2
Supplies and Equipment	50,000
Total Cost (exclusive of cost of technicians)	$50,000

The project includes $50,000 from FY 1953 funds and $50,000 from FY 1954 funds. No funds are requested from FY 1955 budget. It is hoped that the quarantine station will be completed and ready for operation within a year. Project funds are to be expended on the furnishing of equipment and machinery for the disinfecting and disinsecting unit of the station. Technicians will direct the planning and installation of the equipment. The plans have been forwarded to Washington where bids will be let for the fabrication of the

equipment. The station represents an investment of 12,000,000 SR on the part of the government. The prime objective of TCA is to help develop the station both as a quarantine station and as a center for public health work in the Hejaz. Its facilities will be used for quarantine purposes for only 3-4 months a year and should thus be available for use as a health center most of the time.

Project No. 2 - Maternal and Child Health Center

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1	1
Supplies and Equipment	2,500	2,500
Total Cost (exclusive of cost of technicians)	$2,500	$2,500

The Maternal and Child Health Center will be started in FY 1954 and funds also will be supplied in 1955. The center will be set up in Jidda in a building to be provided by the Government together with the necessary equipment. The funds proposed as TCA's share are for incidental equipment, supplies and demonstrational materials and are inadequate unless the Government fulfills its original verbal promises. A U.S. technician working with Saudi technicians will help organize the center. Such a center is new to Saudi Arabia and it is hoped that it will be the first of its kind established by the Ministry.

Project No. 3 - Immunization Program Project

	FY 54
U.S. Technicians	2
Supplies and Equipment	85,000
Total Cost (exclusive of cost of technicians)	$85,000

The Immunization Project has as its objective the growth of a country-wide immunization program through the establishment of centers and laboratories and an active immunization campaign. SAG will provide personnel and buildings for a proposed vaccine laboratory. TCA will provide necessary equipment and supplies. This project has a high priority in the Saudis' eyes and therefore it is hoped it will be the beginning of a vigorous program. The U.S. technicians will work cooperatively with their Saudi associates in planning and starting to operate the laboratory. No U.S. contributions are contemplated for FY 1955.

Project No. 4 - Establishment of a Public Health Library

	FY 54
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	2,000
Total Cost	$2,000

The Health Ministry has requested help in starting a Public Health Library on a number of occasions. The Ministry will furnish the space, equip-

ment, etc. TCA will furnish $2,000 to purchase books, magazines and other printed material. Such a library is non-existent in Saudi Arabia at this time and is most necessary.

Project No. 5 - Public Health Laboratory Project

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	25,000
Total Cost (exclusive of cost of technician)	$25,000

The Public Health laboratory for Jidda will be housed either at the Quarantine Station or in a separate building in town. This project is important as at this time no such laboratory exists. It is likely that the Ministry will be enthusiastic about this project and will give it its support. The U.S. contribution will be to purchase certain necessary supplies and equipment and furnish a technician. SAG is expected to furnish the building, certain equipment and personnel.

Project No. 6 - Health Center--Riyadh

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	25,000
Total Cost (exclusive of cost of technicians)	$25,000

For some time the Ministry has been interested in establishing a public health center in Riyadh. As all the other health projects to date are in the Jidda area, it is believed advisable to undertake this project. It will serve as a demonstrational health center and as such it is hoped will be a model for others to follow. Such centers are most necessary in interior regions where to date practically no medical facilities exist. The U.S. will furnish a physician to run the clinic and also $25,000 worth of supplies and equipment. SAG is expected to supply a suitable building, local personnel and some equipment.

Project No. 7 - Sub-Professional Training

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	Health Staff
Supplies and Equipment	2,500
Local Personnel	5,000
Total Cost	$7,500

The object of this program is to train Saudis in laboratory work, sanitary inspections, hospital work, etc. U.S. contributions will include salaries for two interpreters and some equipment and supplies. SAG will furnish quarters and bear trainee costs. WHO is interested in such a project.

Project No. 8 - General Sanitation

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	10,000
Total Cost	$10,000

The project will concentrate on instituting a general sanitation program in Jidda. Such a program is badly needed but it is of a type not readily understood by the Ministry. The U.S. contribution will be in the form of a sanitary engineer and construction materials and transport up to $10,000. SAG is expected to contribute local labor and certain supplies and equipment.

Rural Development Project - This project will be carried on in conjunction with the Rural Community Development Project. U.S. contributions will be an estimated $17,500, including supplies, equipment and local costs. A survey will be made to determine the prevalence of such diseases as malaria, bilharzia, and trachoma. Following this survey, methods of control will be proposed. Funds for the control program will come out of the general rural community development funds. SAG contributions will include local labor, equipment and technicians.

Education Division

1. Objectives

To create the desire for, and start the development of, facilities and personnel for pre-employment and in-service vocational and technical education. Plan, develop and promote the organization of a minimum national, democratic system of public education including facilities, curricula, controls, personnel and stabilization of financial support.

2. Problems in Field of Activity

There are no planned school structures in the country. Only a small percentage of the children attend any kind of school. The curriculum is based first on religious law and secondly upon an antiquated conception of enlightenment. Schools are mostly housed in rented locations. There are many SAG subsidized private schools. Approximately one-half of teaching personnel are contract Egyptians. Much prejudice exists against change and there is almost a complete lack of modern basic enlightenment upon which to build. Changes are only considered because of ever increasing pressure from the people for educational opportunities.

3. Existing Governmental or Other Programs

Private school operators are constantly offering individualized proposals for schools. The government is requesting financial contributions and technical assistance from ARAMCO in building isolated schools. There is no

planned program for school development. Many opinions, many promises, no unification of thought results in little but loss of time and great waste of money.

4. Means of Resolution

The Government is ready for unified action. It will follow the leadership of any agency with financial support who can present a satisfactory way and means. TCA strategically and otherwise can successfully supply this leadership - with action.

5. Organization

Little definition of channeled official educational organization is available for operation. The Finance Ministry seems the most direct and forceful approach to any kind of development program under the circumstances.

6. Work Plans

There are few things that measure real and true value to the people in Arabia. This fact may be due to the way of life in this arid land before the advent of oil just a few years ago. Basically, these things may be classified as food, money, religion, family and friends. Clothing, labor saving devices and normal living comforts of the Western world are of only secondary consideration, if any at all. Terrific heat and the sameness of climatic conditions generally, with little to really live for except family and life hereafter, time becomes one of the greatest expendable items.

Although these controlling factors are not so noticeable in centers of population, they are in reality still with the people for they have only known of Western ways since oil, or less than fifteen years.

Development, therefore, must spring from the possibility of enhancement of these basic values. With nothing more than religious schools in the past, it is hard for the people to know the full value of modern enlightenment. They have seen industrial work contribute to the wealth and as a result want technical education. But the less measurable kind of enlightenment, general education, has much less meaning right now although there is an ever increasing feeling in its favor as the people become familiar with western ways and living advantages.

The feeling is for schools, but other complications of finance in government and organization for government services, plus the fear of doing something that might undermine the religious faith, have held school development in check. These problems can only be overcome by demonstrations that can be seen and understood. The people want these demonstrations.

The educational program of TCA is planned to show the way in technical education in several major kinds of industrial training activities where the need for skilled employees is pressing. This training is to be of two major

kinds, pre-employment and in-service or extension type training for adults.

Although the projects in technical education are rather small, they are comprehensive in the application of training techniques and procedures. However, the problem of literacy is great in any kind of learning situation in Arabia. The vast majority of the people cannot read or write any kind of language. While demonstrations in technical education are in progress, long-range planning must go forward in the development of an adequate general school program for the country, starting with the elementary schools and extending beyond the normal secondary school level. Such planning involves starting at the very beginning in every sense of the word — curriculum, buildings, teachers, organization, administration, financial support and instructional materials.

A project of school planning has been requested by SAG and provision for it is included in the current budget. It is contemplated to result in an organized program of general school construction and development.

The funds anticipated for the year's educational program are not sufficient to meet the requirements necessary to make the maximum progress possible in Arabia. Activities, of necessity, must be limited both as to technical aid and operational facilities. Although the funds budgeted for the projects contemplated are modest in size, it is felt that they are sufficient to make a significant contribution.

By carefully distributing the educational funds, seven technicians and three locals have been provided along with five demonstration-type projects. They are as follows:

Project No. 1 - Commercial School

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1	1
Supplies and Equipment	17,000	
Local Costs	41,300	18,000
Total Costs	$58,300	$18,000

This project, located in Jidda, the largest commerce center in Arabia, is contemplated to accomplish three major objectives: (1) to train office workers already employed in modern methods and skills; (2) to train youth preparing for entrance into commercial employment; (3) to establish a media for local control and operation of schools through the Commercial School Commission of Jidda.

Project No. 2 and Project No. 3

One project covering scholarship training outside Arabia and the other in-service aircraft training Saudi Arabian Airlines are postponed in this budget. The apportionment of funds to divisions of the Mission has made it necessary to hold operation within specified overall monetary limits. It therefore has not been possible to include these very much desired and

justifiable projects for financial support.

Project No. 4 - Jidda Industrial School

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1	1
Supplies and Equipment	6,700	6,700
Local Costs	1,500	1,500
Total Costs	$8,200	$8,200

With a budget of $8,200 for both fiscal years, this project provides for expansion of facilities and service in the Jidda Industrial School, the organization of instructional materials and in-service teacher training and development.

Project No. 5 - Railroad Training

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2	2
Supplies and Equipment	11,140	23,813
Local Costs	3,000	-
Total Costs	$14,140	$23,813

This project provides for the continued development of instructional material and in-service technical training primarily. The project is significant in view of the pressing need for skilled Arabian workers in the maintenance and operation of the new modern American-style railroad recently put into operation between Dhahran and Riyadh.

Project No. 6 - Country-wide School Planning Project

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1	1
Supplies and Equipment	-	-
Local Costs	9,000	9,000
Total Costs	$9,000	$9,000

This project calls for an expenditure of $9,000 for both fiscal years for an over-all country school planning program.

Project No. 7 - Teacher Training

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	2	2
Supplies and Equipment	7,054	1,800
Local Costs	4,646	5,546
Total Costs	$11,700	$7,346

The Teacher Training Project is a combination of several approaches to the training and development of teachers. It is felt that good use can be made of visual aids both for specific as well as general teaching situations.

Natural Resources Division

1. Objectives

Discovery of and fuller utilization of available water and mineral resources.

2. Problems in Field of Activity

Exploration for, development and conservation of water resources; exploration for, and aid in the development of, metallic and non-metallic mineral deposits; mapping for accurate location and planning development of water, minerals, roads, railroads, airfields, agricultural lands, etc. In a very large sense the work of this division is a prerequisite to the plans and operations of a number of the other divisions of TCA. In Saudi Arabia the lack of knowledge and scientific information concerning resources, together with the unexplored nature of vast reaches of territory, make the carrying out of any development projects virtually impossible unless studies and explorations such as are carried out by this Division are made. Lack of trained local personnel, severe climatic conditions, poor or non-existent transportation and communication facilities are amongst the problems to be faced.

3. Existing Governmental and Other Programs

Eastern Arabia has been explored and developed by the Arabian-American Oil Company.

The Department of Mines of the Finance Ministry has headquarters in Jidda. This Department cooperates closely with the Natural Resources Division.

SAG has been spending over $500,000 a year, exclusive of amortization of equipment, on a drilling program to utilize ground water supplies. This operation is carried out by an American contractor under the technical direction of the Natural Resources Division.

A land-water use project is being carried on by FAO-UN and SAG in Wadi Gizan, Tihama-Asir. Continuance of the project depends on the state of the Saudi budget.

4. Means of Resolution

With SAG lacking persons having the necessary technical qualifications to carry out such work, outside technicians or agencies must be found to do it. TCA has and will continue to supply technicians to continue the field work so that other phases of the technical assistance program - in particular agriculture -

may have a foundation on which to work.

In the long run, it is obvious that Saudi Arabia must train its own personnel so that she will be able to supply some of the technicians required.

5. Organization

The Division has worked in cooperation with the Department of Mines and with the contract company.

6. Work Plans

	FY 56	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	10	11
Supplies and Equipment	60,000	74,956
Local Costs	13,908	12,160
Total Costs (exclusive of technicians)	$73,908	$87,116

The project is broken down into three sections:

(1) Mapping - SAG has tentatively agreed to pay the contract costs of the aerial survey work necessary. The Division will provide the horizontal and vertical control.

(2) Water Resources - Work started in the past will continue -- water analysis of samples from project sites; continuation of prospecting for new and/or additional surface and ground water supplies.

(3) Minerals - Field work and exploration will continue in the form of general geologic surveys and intensive studies in areas of possible mineralization. Work will be done on the analysis and classification of a large backlog of drill cuttings and rock samples.

Enlarged Water Development Program - In addition to the regular program outlined above, a greatly enlarged water exploration and development program is in the initial planning stage. The undertaking of this project, which would cost several million dollars, is dependent on SAG's supplying funds in cooperation with funds from the U.S. Special Economic Aid fund.

Public Administration & Government Services Division

1. Objectives

The improvement of administrative practices in the field of public finance has been the prime objective of this division. Progress has been made in having recommendations of the division accepted in the fields of currency, banking, customs and tariffs. Public finance was selected as the area of concentration due to the Saudi Government's request for assistance in

this field and because of the obvious need existing. The continuing and urgent nature of this need is the justification for the following proposed program.

2. Problem in the Field of Activity

The Saudi Government is in a state of transition. Up to now it has been a Kingdom dominated and ruled by the King, who is aided by councils and committees of his own selection. The trend towards organizing a more responsible government has been slow but gradual. Recently, the Crown Prince was made Prime Minister presiding over a cabinet composed of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Defense, Health and Interior, Finance and Transportation and Communications. There is some indication that shortly the Health and Interior Ministry will be split into separate organisms and a Ministry of Agriculture organized out of the Department of Agriculture, currently a section of the Finance Ministry. These developments all tend to weaken the previously overwhelmingly strong Ministry of Finance and to provide at least the framework for a possibly more efficient handling of the government's business.

It is in this transitory stage that the USOM seeks to provide guidance and direction. The large oil revenues have resulted in a rapid growth of the bureaucracy and governmental functions without a parallel development of methods for controlling and directing and planning the expenditure of funds. Statistics are virtually non-existent. Professional civil service is unknown. As the vast majority of the people are illiterate and poor, appointment and advancement are dependent on family or personal relationships. Enrichment of officials by any means such as the payment of gratuities for services rendered, etc., is common practice. While a budget exists on paper, expenditures are still largely subject to the personal dictates of the King, Princes or other powerful figures.

3. Existing Governmental and Other Programs

Reorganization of the government, creation of new ministries, etc., are noted above. No long-range program of government reorganization, however, can be said to exist. The Government has, and still employs, a number of foreign experts - Egyptian, Syrian, Palestinian, German, American and others to advise and counsel the King and ministers. Such has been a characteristic procedure for many years. As the number of Saudis sufficiently educated to deal with many of the complex problems which arise is most limited, the government has for years brought in police, military, agricultural, financial, health and other experts and advisors.

4. Means of Resolution

Technicians will be supplied to SAG in a number of different fields of work. The incorporation of their recommendations and proposals into the government's structure and the subsequent carrying out of the changes made are difficult problems. Much depends on the absorptive capacity of the Government and its capacity for change. The education and development of a staff of trained government workers is imperative for long term progress.

5. Organization

In the past the division has worked through the Ministry of Finance and its several divisions. As new ministries are organized, it is possible that technical assistance will also be provided for if circumstances warrant it.

6. Work Plans

	FY 54	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	4	4
Total Cost	$85,000	$125,000

Proposals for FY 1954 and FY 1955 include the following personnel: a custom-tariff technician, a statistician, a corporation law specialist and a public finance specialist.

1. The customs-tariff specialist will continue to work directly with customs officials in implementing the tariff law drawn up by U.S. advisers and in drawing up regulations for the customs administration. Through daily contacts and conferences, it is expected that progress will continue towards the modernization of customs and the development of an efficient service.

2. With statistics virtually non-existent, the statistician will organize a statistical organization for foreign trade. This could serve as the nucleus for a general statistical organization for other government agencies. If such were the case, it would be possible to take a national census for the first time in Saudi Arabia's history.

These specialists will work daily with SAG officials. Wherever possible, counterparts will be trained. Continued efforts will be made to select young men for training in the Middle East or the U.S. Such trainees would be expected on their return to enter government service and to become part of a growing nucleus of trained personnel. The development of such personnel of necessity will take many years due to the retarded state of Saudi education.

3. SAG requested the U.S. Mission to furnish a specialist who would make a study of existing corporation laws and following the study to draft new laws and regulations governing the organization and operation of domestic and foreign corporations. It is expected that the specialist will continue working in Saudi Arabia after completing the new law. This will be necessary in order that the new law will be properly implemented and its provisions applied in accordance with its objectives.

If this effort proves to be successful the investment of funds from private sources - both local and foreign - should be stimulated. The corporation law structure now existing does little to encourage such investment.

With the rapid growth of the Saudi economy, opportunities for

investment are multiplying. Funds from local sources are accumulating. Foreign corporations have shown interest in a number of proposed industries. The natural growth of such investments has been retarded by the uncertain government policies, the inadequate laws and the conservative attitudes of political leaders living under the influence of the principles of the Koran as regards interest, etc. Hence, the need to create a more favorable climate for investment is apparent if Saudi Arabia is to develop in accordance with its possibilities.

4. The public finance specialist will advise SAG on tax policy and seek to develop investment opportunities for American concerns.

If in the course of the development of the Division's work need arises for the employment of other technicians, the program will be enlarged to that extent.

Transportation and Communications Division

1. Objectives

To help the Saudi Government improve and develop transportation and communications facilities necessary for the unification of the country and for the economic development of its several regions.

2. Problems in the Field of Activity

In summary, the problems in this field are as follows: lack of organized planning and knowledge of transportation-communications needs upon which to base construction priorities; lack of a government public works department; elementary state of transport and communications facilities; physical difficulties caused by terrain features, isolated population centers; desert conditions, etc.; lack of trained engineering and maintenance personnel.

3. Existing Governmental & Other Programs

In recent years SAG has been carrying out a fairly large program of road, airport, railroad, harbor and communication construction and equipping projects. Examples are the railroad from Dammam to Riyadh - completed; the paved Jidda-Mecca Road; airports at most of the cities and larger towns; modern harbor works at Jidda and Dammam, etc.

4. Means of Resolution

TCA obviously cannot provide Saudi Arabia with a modern transportation and communications network. However, it can help SAG to plan a long range development program and to carry out this program through the provision of specialists. Certain limited pilot projects may be carried out in cooperation with the Government.

5. Organization

Until the recent organization of the Ministry of Transportation & Communications, this division worked with the Ministry of Finance. With the formation of the new Ministry, it is expected that most projects will be carried out in cooperation with it. It should be noted that all matters pertaining to aviation come under the Ministry of Defense.

6. Work Plans

Project No. 1 - Visual Omni Range Project

	FY 54
U.S. Technicians	1
Supplies and Equipment	50,000
Local Costs	25,000
Total Costs (exclusive of technicians)	$75,000

This project will provide Saudi Arabia with an advanced type of high frequency electronic navigation equipment and should provide for greater safety in air transport. U.S. contributions will amount to $75,000 including supplies and equipment and for training Saudi personnel. SAG will provide land, materials and local labor.

Project No. 2 - Harbor Design and Engineering Costs

	FY 55
U.S. Technicians	1
Contract	100,000
Total Cost (exclusive of U.S. technicians)	$100,000

This project is intended to be the first step towards providing Saudi Arabia with modernized port facilities on the Red Sea Coast at Yanbo and Gizan. This work will probably be done by a contract firm under the supervision of a TCA technician. This contract will cost an estimated $100,000. SAG is expected to carry out the actual work of harbor works construction. In the case of Gizan harbor, U.S. aid may be forthcoming for actual construction from the Special Economic Aid Fund.

In addition to the projects described above, TCA will furnish SAG with other specialists in transportation and communications as the need may arise.

Harland J. Corson
Director, U.S. Operations Mission
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FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - October 1953

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

Mr. Harland J. Corson, the new Director, arrived October 8, accompanied by Mr. Willis B. Hazleton, Program Officer. Mr. Thelbert F. Taylor, new Executive Officer, arrived on October 25.

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Several meetings were held by the Director and the Program Officer with the respective Division Chiefs for the purpose of reviewing the FY 54 Budget Estimates and preparing concrete plans for carrying out the respective programs under that budget so that as little time as possible will be lost in getting them under way when the FY 54 Budget is approved and covering allotments set up. During such meetings, the FY 55 Budget Estimates and Programs were not only reviewed but also revised. The Revised Estimates will be sent to FOA/W the early part of November.

During the month under review, Shaikh Abdullah Suleiman, Minister of Finance, remained absent from Saudi Arabia; likewise, Prince Abdullah El Feisal, Minister of Health and Interior. It is expected that both of these Ministers will return to their posts the early part of November.

Program-wise, there was very little activity during October. It is hoped that the approval of the FY 54 budget will not be delayed much longer. Abdul Aziz, Acting Deputy Minister of Finance, repeatedly inquires as to the status of the approval of the FY 54 budget as he is anxious to know what amount should be included in his budget for next year corresponding to the agreed upon contribution of each Ministry for carrying out the U.S.-SAG cooperative services programs. Inability to give him any concrete information has been most embarassing.

The Director and the Program Officer, together with several Division Chiefs and technicians, visited Wadi Khulais—about 75 miles north of Jidda—for the purpose of formulating plans for carrying out a Community Development Project there. Arrangements are being made for a trip to the Tihama area—southern coastal plain along the Red Sea—next month, where it is planned to execute the second and most important Community Development Project. Project agreements, following the cooperative service form, will be prepared and discussed with SAG. A copy of each proposed final agreement will be sent to FOA/W for approval prior to execution.

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SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

An observation and study trip of three weeks duration was made by Messrs. Parker, Schwan and Stewart, covering a part of Central Saudi Arabia and part of the Persian Gulf area from El Kharj to Qatif. The team inspected types of crops and livestock.

Mr. George F. Gibbs, Soils Scientist, arrived October 12 and is now engaged in assembling materials to begin a soil survey of the Wadi Khulais area, where our first community development work will be effected.

Mr. Nixon reports satisfactory progress on the date study in the Persian Gulf area. Harvest is about completed and more attention is being given to cultural problems.

Mr. Parker has been working with the Ministry of Agriculture on the plans for the Livestock Improvement Farm in Wadi Fatima, about 25 miles east of Jidda.

Altogether nine new projects are proposed for FY 1955. Expansion of the livestock improvement project in FY 1955 will include Riyadh, in addition to new projects for water spreading on ranges, a range demonstration project, and one for dipping of livestock. A land drainage project for Qatif is contemplated in FY 1955 as well as a project for improvement in vegetable production.

Mr. William R. Mabee, Director, Regional Locust Control Program, visited this Mission October 13 and 14. Discussions were held with officials of the Agriculture Department and Finance Ministry regarding locust control in Saudi Arabia.

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Health

Estimates of the equipment for the quarantine station were studied. Some changes will be recommended. Mr. Skrinde and his counterpart completed an estimate of cost of making the necessary changes in the building for disinfection.

A plan of operation for the health phase in the Community Development Project at Wadi Khulais has been prepared. Surveys for malaria, bilharzia and other diseases will be carried out.

There is a rumor that the isolation section of the quarantine station will be closed. Facilities have not yet been installed in the station. Equipment and unused chemicals have been returned to the Ministry. This was part of the material loaned the Ministry for its fly control program during the Hadj.

Miss Potter, Public Health Nurse, arrived on October 5 and is preparing for her work under the Maternal and Child Health Center in Jidda.

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Education

Dr. Dolley, Division Chief, accompanied Prince Talal, Minister of Communications, on an inspection tour of the Saudi Government Railroad early in October. This trip was taken to study technical training program for that railroad. A project is being prepared for such program.

The Commercial School in Jidda is holding classes with one teacher. It is anticipated that a project agreement will be signed shortly, whereby the activities of this school will be considerably enlarged to meet demands for commercial training.

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Natural Resources

Geological mapping of a section of the proposed Jidda-Riyadh railroad route from Jidda to Medina was completed.

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Reports were prepared covering the geology of the proposed railroad route, Jidda-Riyadh, also the Zalm mining district. An examination of the Zalm Mines was conducted, upon request of the Acting Deputy Finance Minister, in collaboration with Mr. K. S. Twitchell, adviser to the Office of Mines and Companies, Ministry of Finance.

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Water development was supervised in the following communities: Yenbo, Lith, Qizan, FAO camp site (Tihama), Taif sanitarium and Khulais. Visits were made to the Yenbo-Nakhel drilling operations and one completed well was examined and test pumped.

The mapping program was continued of several sections of western Saudi Arabia.

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Transportation and Communications

The Chief of the Division served as Acting Executive Officer during the entire month.

Two conferences were held with Prince Talal's secretary on the problem of inspection and inventory of road equipment formerly the property of a local contractor, Bin Ladin.

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Public Administration

During this period Mr. Dunaway was the only technician on duty and he was fully occupied as Acting Director until October 9.

Several conferences were held with the members of the Customs Committee but the two top-ranking officials, the Inspector General and the Director General, were out of the city. The "bill of entry" on which the most important improvements in customs administration depend, has not yet been printed but the Committee reports that proofs have been corrected. The new procedure, which the use of the bill of entry will make possible, was outlined and discussed with the Committee and a regulation governing the use of the bill of entry and certified invoice was drafted. Both documents are being translated.

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b. Local Participation

Nothing new to report.

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c. Training

Four grantees were processed for departure to the United States during the month. This brings the total number of grantees in training in America to 21. One additional trainee is scheduled for departure in November.

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SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture

Activation of the Community Development Project has been discussed with this Division as well as the Health and Natural Resources Divisions. The Director, Program Officer and members of three Divisions, accompanied by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, inspected the Wadi Khulais area, where several water wells have already been drilled, with an output of about 1100/gpm. The purpose of this trip was to ascertain the respective steps necessary to carry out the first part of the Community Development Plan. Mr. George Gibbs, Soils Scientist, will begin a soil survey within a few days to determine the amount of arable land, check the soil and make soil maps of the area. A Saudi counterpart has been assigned. Arrangements have already been made with the local Emir for carrying out the work.

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Health

Miss Potter, Chief Public Health Nurse, arrived this month and discussions were held with the Ministry about the Jidda Maternal and Child Health Center project agreement. Further discussions have been postponed until budget approval is received.

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Education

The Division has kept in constant touch with the Ministry of Communications and has made suggestions relative to a technical training program that will reduce current excessive costs and assure a source of qualified replacements not only for railroad operation but also for other fields of activity. These suggestions have been accepted. A suggested cooperative joint fund project to accomplish this training also has been accepted.

An agreement, along cooperative service lines, is being prepared to cover this training program and will be sent to FOA/W the early part of next month for approval. It will call for $75,000 U.S. funds and $135,000 SAG funds. However, lack of funds in the FY 54 budget has required consolidation of most unobligated funds for Education to make $75,000 available for the project. The Minister of Communications is ready to deposit his initial contribution of at least $75,000 to the project, in addition to other items in kind. A more valuable and logical project for the development of technical education in Saudi Arabia could not be found. It is significant in setting a pattern for broader country-wide type of Cooperative Service Agreements. It is among the first that guarantees a substantial cash contribution to a joint fund from SAG.

The Commercial School Project of Jidda, which could not be ratified until return to Saudi Arabia of the Minister of Interior, may be signed soon. Negotiations for the contribution of SAG funds are well advanced, now that the Minister has returned.

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Transportation and Communications

Two conferences with Prince Talal were held relating to establishment of a Department of Public Works for Saudi Arabia, using as a nucleus the equipment which reverted to SAG from the local contractor, Bin Ladin.

SECTION IV. **AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS**

a. **Agreements Executed.**

None.

b. Agreements Under Current Negotiation

Jidda Commercial School Agreement
Dammam Industrial Training School.

c. Implementation of Agreements

Nothing to report.

d. Requests

Proposals are under discussion in the fields of Agriculture, Health, Education, Transportation and Communications.

SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

Nothing to report.

SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT 4

Fertilizer Plant

In a conference held by the Director with Abdul Aziz, Acting Deputy Finance Minister, the matter of the Ammonium Sulphate Fertilizer Plant was discussed. Abdul Aziz stated that he had received word already that four European firms intend to bid on such plant, on its operation and on handling the sale of the output (400,000 tons/annum). He further stated that SAG is prepared to finance up to one-half the cost of the plant, i.e. up to $30,000,000.

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FAO

Mr. Theodore C. Carlson, FAO Marketing Specialist, conferred with the Program Officer relative to his operations and the duration of his program. The Director, USACM/SA, discussed the FAO Program with Mr. W. Fred Johnson, Chief of Field Party.

WHO

The following persons from WHO visited the USACM/SA Health and Sanitation Division to discuss malaria control and other subjects of common interest:

Dr. Pampana, Chief, Malaria Section, WHO, Geneva.
Dr. Mohammed Nazir, WHO Public Health Adviser to SAG.
Dr. Zahar, WHO Entomologist on the Malaria Control Team, Jidda.
Dr. Hashem, General Director of Quarantine of the Ministry of Health.

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SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

The problem confronting every Division is the prolonged delay in the FY 54 budget approval.

Harland J. Corson
Director
U.S. Operations Mission
to Saudi Arabia

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ACTION	FROM		TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE		ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS	1. DATE SENT
PERS. MSA/W	Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X				Nov. 19, 1953
	NUMBER: TOUSFO A-3	NAME: Rolf T. Skrinde				2. DATE RECEIVED
INFO.	3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)					
	3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)					4. REQUEST NO.
	RECRUIT	X	REASSIGN		TRANSFER	
	3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)					
	ESTABLISH NEW		ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL	X	RECLASSIFY	

FROM		TO
5A. SA-FSA-6	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-FSA-6
6A. Sanitarian	POSITION TITLE	B. Sanitary Engineer
7A. PT. 4-3 $5,713	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT. 4-3 $5,713
8A. Health & San. Div.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Health and Sanitation Division
9A. US Op.Miss. to SA	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia
10A. 72-112/41019	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS The original job description for job SA-FSA-6 was written to cover a position which was to be established in connection with the Rural Community Development Project. Mr. Rolf Skrinde was recruited for this job. However, he was a sanitary engineer instead of a sanitarian. He was accepted for the job by this Division because recruiting personnel for Saudi Arabia is difficult and because it was believed he could do the job requested. Since this job was slow in developing and since an engineer was needed for the Quarantine Station Agreement, Mr. Skrinde was shifted to that job. This is the reason for rewriting or reclassifying the job.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

Mr. Skrinde has been assigned to the Ministry of Health to carry out the Mission's obligation according to this Project Agreement, which is to design and supervise the installation of disinfecting units at the Quarantine Station. These consist of four autoclaves and two boilers. In addition, he is expected to furnish engineering advice to the Ministry for the completion of facilities for the other buildings at the station. After the station is completed he will assist in the training of the public health workers who will operate the station.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Except supervisory duties)

In addition, if time permits he will assist the Ministry by giving sanitary engineering advice to the City of Jidda on problems concerning water, sewage disposal, and garbage collection and disposal.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

He will not have men working under his orders, but he may be advising people who will be supervising construction men. He also will be training health workers, but in the true sense of the word will not be supervising them.

16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

Incumbent will be in continual contact with Ministry employees on an operating level but not on a policy level.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other Government)

Incumbent will work under the supervision of the Chief of the Health and Sanitation Division, and receive general instruction from him. However, he will also be assigned to the Ministry of Health to work as part of that Ministry. With his counterpart from the Ministry, he will serve as a beginning of a Sanitary Engineering Division in the Ministry. He will have freedomto operate and will have all the opportunity he wishes to show his initiative.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Two or three years experience in construction work directly related to sanitary engineering would be useful. This work could be in water supply, sewage disposal, or garbage collection and disposal.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

A Bachelor's degree in Sanitary Engineering or Civil Engineering is required. A Master's degree is desirable, but not absolutely required.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
25 - 50 years	Two years	None, but Arabic would be very helpful.

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

He should be pleasant, patient, persistent, and practical.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

The Engineer should be in excellent physical condition and be able to stand extremely hot weather. Medical facilities are extremely limited.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electricity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlines. Recreation is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis, and considerable social life in foreign and local communities. A grade school has been organized for a limited number of American children up to Sixth Grade. High school is available at Beirut, which would necessitate boarding.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

This job is now filled.

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FROM: Jidda, Saudi Arabia | X | TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE | | ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

1. DATE SENT: Nov. 21, 1953

2. DATE RECEIVED

NUMBER: (USFO) A-36 | NAME: Jeannette E. Potter

3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)

3A. PERSONNEL. (X-Check appropriate action)

RECRUIT | | REASSIGN | | TRANSFER

4. REQUEST NO.

3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)

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FROM		TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-FSA-8
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Chief Public Health Nurse
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT. 4-4 $8,163
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Health and Sanitation Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

The Ministry of Health plans to establish a Maternal and Child Health Center in the town of Jidda. They have requested that the US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia provide a Chief Public Health Nurse to the Ministry to aid them in the development of this project.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

To aid in setting up the Maternal and Child Health Center and to organize and supervise the nursing services for the Ministry of Health.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Be specific)

a. The USOM Chief Public Health Nurse Consultant will be assigned to the Ministry of Health and will work in cooperation with them.

b. In the Center she will work under the administrative direction of the Physician in charge in organizing the program.

c. She will consult with the officials in the Ministry of Health on nursing policies, programs and procedures as requested.

d. She will represent the USOM at conferences and discussions pertaining to nursing.

e. Perform such other duties as may be requested by the Ministry of Health or the Division of Sanitation and Health, US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES The chief public health nurse consultant will work in the Maternal and Child Health Center in Jidda. She will be in charge of the nurses assigned to the Center by the Ministry of Health. Since there are no Saudi nurses, these staff nurses will have been recruited from other countries by the Saudi Government. The chief nurse will supervise the nursing activities and plan in-service education programs for them as needed. She will

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (Made with whom and for what purpose)

Ministry of Health - To resolve any problems arising in connection with the organization and development of the Maternal and Child Health Center.

USOM Health and Sanitation Division - For advice and guidance on FOA policies, programs and procedures.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

No nursing supervision or guidance available locally. Any such supervision and guidance will have to be obtained from the Division of International Health, USPHS, Washington, D.C.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

The person selected for this position should have had extensive experience in the field of public health nursing; considerable knowledge of modern principles and methods of administration as applied to public health; considerable knowledge of maternal and child health programs; a thorough knowledge of the theory, techniques and practice of public health nursing. It is preferable that she have had prior overseas assignments.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

The candidate for this position should be a graduate nurse with a college degree, with a major in public health.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
35 - 50	2 years	Knowledge of French helpful. Willing to learn Arabic.

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

She should be a mature person with a pleasant personality, and a real interest in people. She must be readily adaptable to new situations and largely self-sufficient. A sense of humor is indispensable.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

The candidate for this position must have a good health record and be in excellent health at the time of assignment. Local facilities for medical care are extremely limited. She should be able to stand very hot weather.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Preferably a single person and/or one who does not have to bring dependents along with her. Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electricity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlines. Recreation is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis, and considerable social life in foreign and local communities.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

Senior Nurse Officer Jeannette E. Potter is now assigned to this position.

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PERS. MSA/W	Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X				Nov. 21, 1953
	NUMBER: TOUSFO A-37	NAME				2. DATE RECEIVED
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	3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)					4. REQUEST NO.
	X RECRUIT		REASSIGN		TRANSFER	
	3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)					
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FROM		TO
5A.	◁ POSITION NUMBER	▷ B. SA-FSA-7
6A.	◁ POSITION TITLE	▷ B. Sanitarian
7A.	◁ CLASS & SALARY	▷ B. FT. 4-4 $6,963
8A.	◁ ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	▷ B. Health and Sanitation Division
9A.	◁ MISSION OR STEM	▷ B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia
10A.	◁ APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	▷ B. 72-112/41019
	◁ TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	▷ B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

This position was filled by Mr. N. Brinck who was recalled for reasons other than work.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The successful candidate will be assigned to carry out a general sanitation program in connection with the Rural Community Development Project. In addition, he will be expected to organize and supervise other general sanitation projects which are developed. If necessary he may be called upon to assist the malariologist in field work for malaria control or Bilharzia control.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Attach supplementary sheet)

He will have a counterpart assigned to him by the Ministry of Health, who will be his understudy. Therefore his first job will be that of a teacher.

He will plan and supervise the construction of pit privies, protection of wells whose water is used for drinking.

He will assist in the planning, organizing and supervising of any malaria or bilharzia control work.

After a project is signed, it will mean that he must arrange for the ordering of all materials for the work such as cement, sand, stone, lumber, pipe, pumps, DDT, sprayers, trucks, etc.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

He will supervise workers employed on these projects. He will be responsible for getting the job done after he is assigned to a certain project, and given instructions as to what general rules and regulations he is to follow.

16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

He will be in continual contact with the local population in the area in which the project is located. His contacts with the Ministry will be with those employees assigned to the project.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE RECEIVED (State nature and from whom or what, including description of relationships with other governments)

He will be under the supervision of the Chief of the Health and Sanitation Division and will receive general instruction from him. However, he will be given all the freedom of action he can accept within the limits of the project. His guidance will be limited to review of general plans of operation and spot checking to see that the work is proceeding according to plan.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

The successful applicant should have had experience in small construction work, and not be afraid of getting "his hands dirty". Experience in a well operated county health department would be helpful. Malaria control experience would be useful. A maximum of ten years experience would be considered adequate.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

A Bachelor's degree in Sanitary Science or equivalent probably is desired but it is not absolutely necessary if the applicant has had an open, inquisitive mind and has looked for the reason why methods and procedures are adopted in carrying out health programs.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
30 - 50 years	Two years	None, but Arabic would be very helpful.

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

He should be pleasant, patient, persistent and practical, and have a real interest in people.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

He should be in good physical condition and have no disabilities that would hamper his travelling in rough desert country.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING CONDITIONS Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electricity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlin Recreation is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis, and considerable social life in foreign and local communities. A grade school has been organized for a limited number of American children up to Sixth Grade. High school is available at Beir which would necessitate boarding. Because of conditions here a married man without children is preferred, but this fact should not exclude any candidate.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

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	3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)				4. REQUEST NO.
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	3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)				
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FROM | TO

5A.	POSITION NUMBER	5. SA-FSA-3
6A.	POSITION TITLE	6. Public Health Physician
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	7. FT. 4-3(1) $9,130
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	8. Health and Sanitation Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	9. US Operations Mission to Saudi Ara
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	10. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	11.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Chronicle)

12. REMARKS

The Division has been asking for this job to be filled for at least a year.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The physician filling this job will be assigned to the Ministry of Health as a consultant in Public Health to discharge the Mission's obligation as set forth in the Quarantine Agreement as pertains to the work of a medical consultant. This will include setting up of training courses for subprofessional personnel working for the quarantine service.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Use separate sheet)

1. Render consulting service to the Ministry of Health on quarantine practices.

2. Assist in setting up the new quarantine station.

3. Assist in setting up training programs for employees of the quarantine service.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES As a consultant he should not have many supervisory duties; probably as th job develops the Ministry will want him to supervise some of the sub-professional employ of the quarantine service. It should be made quite clear that on such assignments a pers must expect to do the job at hand regardless of what is stated in the job description. may very well be that the physician may be called upon to advise and assist in other phas of the public health program such as working in the maternal and child health center, on

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15. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

He will be in constant contact with the people in the Ministry and with anyone of the public who comes to the various facilities of the Ministry where the physician might be working.

17. SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED (State source and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

He will be assigned to the Ministry of Health and therefore will receive some guidance there. However, experience has shown that this will be very limited. He will still be under the general supervision of the Chief of the Health and Sanitation Division, but will be given all the freedom of action that he can accept.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

He should have had at least five years experience in public health work. Previous experience in overseas assignments would be most useful. Local health department experience would be helpful.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

He should be a graduate from a recognized medical school. A Master's degree in public health would be desirable, but not necessary.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
25 - 50 years	Two years	None, but French or Arabic would be most helpful.

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Pleasant, patient, persistent and practical, and have a real interest in people.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

He should be in good physical condition with no handicaps, and be able to stand hot weather. Medical facilities are very limited here.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electricity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlines. Recreation is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis, and considerable social life in foreign and local communities. A grade school has been organized for a limited number of American children up to Sixth Grade. High School is available at Beirut, which would necessitate boarding.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

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PERS. MSA/W	Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X				Nov. 21, 1953
	NUMBER: TOUSMO A-39	NAME				2. DATE RECEIVED
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	3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)					4. REQUEST NO.
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	3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)					
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FROM		TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-FSA-4
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Public Health Physician
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT. 4-3 (1) $9,130
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Health and Sanitation Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

Recruitment for this job has been going on for about a year now.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OF FUNCTION OF POSITION

The physician filling this job will be assigned to the Ministry of Health as a consultant in Public Health.

14. LIST OF PARTICULARS (Be specific and detailed)

(1) Render consulting services to the Ministry of Health on immunization practices.

(2) Assist in setting up immunization clinics.

(3) Assist in setting up, and if necessary, operating a laboratory for the manufacture of vaccines.

(4) If necessary, render advice to the Maternal and Child Health Center.

(5) Assist in training programs which may be set up.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

As a consultant he should not have many supervisory duties, but as the job develops, some of these duties will have to be assumed because there will not be any responsible person around to do them.

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

He will be in constant contact with the people of the Ministry and with any of the public that comes to the clinics that he is assisting in opening.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

He will be assigned to the Ministry and therefore will receive some guidance from there, but experience has shown that it will be limited. He will still be under the general supervision of the Chief of the Division of Health and Sanitation, but will be granted all the freedom that he can accept.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

He should have had at least five years experience in public health work. Previous overseas experience would be desirable, but not absolutely necessary. A combination of experience in laboratory work and local health work would be ideal. However, it is realized that it will be impossible to get a man to fit all requirements. The candidate must realize that he may be called upon to do other duties than those mentioned in this job description.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

He should be a graduate of a recognized medical school. A Master's degree in Public Health would be desirable, but not absolutely necessary.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
25 - 50 years	Two years	None, but French or Arabic would be helpful.

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Pleasant, patient, persistent and practical, and have a real interest in people.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

He should be in good physical condition with no handicaps, and be able to stand hot weather. Medical facilities are very limited here.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electicity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlines. Recreation is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis, and considerable social life in foreign and local communities. A grade school has been organized for a limited number of American children up to Sixth Grade. High School is available at Beirut, which would necessitate bourding.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

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DESP. NO.

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON
FOREIGN OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION

November 25, 1953
DATE

REF : USFOTO A-19

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SUBJECT: Employment Report

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NUMBER TOUSFO A-41	NAME Joe Leonard			2. DATE RECEIVED Jan 14, 1954
3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)				4. REQUEST NO.
3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)	RECRUIT	REASSIGN	TRANSFER	
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	FROM	TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-AG-3
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Agricultural Extension Speciali (Irrigated Farming)
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT.4-4 $7,263
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Agriculture Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Ara
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

A candidate for this position is now being processed.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is to increase agriculturalproduction in Saudi Arabia by providing technical assistance in improving farm practices pertaining to crops, livestock, insect pests, diseases, range management, irrigation and land development.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Except supervisory duties)

(1) Conduct tests for improving present crops 10%

(2) Conduct tests for suitability of new crops 10%

(3) Teach improved farm practices pertaining to land preparation, seeding, cultivation, harvesting, storing, marketing, irrigation; livestock breeding, feeding and management; insect pest and disease control 60%

(4) Assist in the training of agricultural leaders 20%

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

None.

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

The incumbent will represent the Mission in the various community activities wherever he is stationed. At times he may be called on to be the Mission representative at conferences and regional meetings.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

Chief, Division of Agriculture.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Appointee should have had successful experience as a county agricultural extension agent, teacher of vocational agriculture, or equivalent experience.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Graduate of a college with a bachelor's degree in agriculture or its equivalent.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
28 - 50	2 years	None

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to work and cooperate with people on various levels of training, experience, and cultural opportunities in the areas of farming, local and central government, and technical services. Tact, racial broadmindedness, cooperativeness, practicality, dependability, ability to assume responsibility, and the desire to be helpful are absolute requirements. The appointee must possess balanced imagination, initiative, ingenuity, and perseverance.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Ordinarily the appointee will be stationed in a given community. Work will require that he travel most every day in that area. Travel will be by jeep or truck as occasion demands. Living quarters will range from tent to trailer to native houses.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Housing will range from tents to trailers to native houses. Living conditions as a whole will be very modest, but can be made reasonably comfortable considering environmental conditions. Most recreation will be self-generated and there will be no educat facilities. Single persons or married couples without dependents are best suited to position.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

A candidate for this position is now being processed.

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X		Nov. 29, 1953

NUMBER	NAME	2. DATE RECEIVED
TOUSFO A-42	C. Verne Stewart	Jan 14, 1954

3. ACTION REQUESTED *(If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)*

3A. PERSONNEL *(X-Check appropriate action)*

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3B. POSITION *(X-Check appropriate action)*

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FROM		TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-AG-4
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Agricultural Extension Special
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT.4-4 $7,263
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Agriculture Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Ar
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL *(Admin.)*	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS [X] YES [ ] NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

[ ] ATTACHED [ ] SUBMITTED *(Give reference)*

12. REMARKS

Mr. Stewart is now on the job.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is to increase agricultural production in Saudi Arabia by providing technical assistance in improving farm practices pertaining to crops, livestock, insect pests, diseases, range management, irrigation and land development.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES *(Except supervisory duties)*

(1)	Conduct tests for improving present crops	10%
(2)	Conduct tests for suitability of new crops	10%
(3)	Teach improved farm practices pertaining to land preparation, seeding, cultivation, harvesting, storing, marketing, irrigation; livestock breeding, feeding and management; insect pest and disease control	60%
(4)	Assist in the training of agricultural leaders	20%

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

None.

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

The incumbent will represent the Mission in the various community activities wherever he is stationed. At times he may be called on to be the Mission representative at conferences and regional meetings.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

Chief, Division of Agriculture.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Appointee should have had successful experience as a county agricultural extension agent, teacher of vocational agriculture, or equivalent experience.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Graduate of a college with a bachelor's degree in agriculture or its equivalent.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
28 - 50	2 years	None

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to work and cooperate with people on various levels of training, experience, and cultural opportunities in the areas of farming, local and central government, and technical services. Tact, racial broadmindedness, cooperativeness, practicality, dependability, ability to assume responsibility, and the desire to be helpful are absolute requirements. The appointee must possess balanced imagination, initiative, ingenuity, and perseverance.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Ordinarily the appointee will be stationed in a given community. Work will require that he travel most every day in that area. Travel will be by jeep or truck as occasion demands. Living quarters will range from tent to trailer to native houses

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Housing will range from tents to trailers to native houses. Living conditions as a whole will be very modest, but can be made reasonably comfortable considering enviro mental conditions. Most recreation will be self-generated and there will be no educat facilities. Single persons or married couples without dependents are best suited to t position.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

(Mr. Stewart is now on the job.)

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ACTION	FROM		TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE		ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS	1. DATE SENT
	Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X				Nov. 29, 1953
PERS.15 MSA/W	NUMBER: TOUSFO A-43		NAME: Fred A. Barham			2. DATE RECEIVED: Jan 14, 1954

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3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)

3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)

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3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)

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5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B.	SA-AG-9
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B.	Agricultural Extension Special
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B.	PT.4-4 $7,263
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B.	Agriculture Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B.	US Operations Mission to Saudi
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B.	72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.	

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☐ YES ☒ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

☐ ATTACHED ☐ SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

Mr. Barham is now on the job.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is to increase agricultural production in Saudi Arabia by providing technical assistance in improving farm practices pertaining to crops, livestock, insect pests, diseases, range management, irrigation and land development.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Except supervisory duties)

(1)	Conduct tests for improving present crops	10%
(2)	Conduct tests for suitability of new crops	10%
(3)	Teach improved farm practices pertaining to land preparation, seeding, cultivation, harvesting, storing, marketing, irrigation; livestock breeding, feeding and management; insect pest and disease control	60%
(4)	Assist in the training of agricultural leaders	20%

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

None.

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

The incumbent will represent the Mission in the various community activities wherever he is stationed. At times he may be called on to be the Mission representative at conferences and regional meetings.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other Government)

Chief, Division of Agriculture.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Appointee should have had successful experience as a county agricultural extension agent, teacher of vocational agriculture, or equivalent experience.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Graduate of a college with a bachelor's degree in agriculture or its equivalent.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
28 - 50	2 years	None

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to work and cooperate with people on various levels of training, experience, and cultural opportunities in the areas of farming, local and central government, and technical services. Tact, racial broadmindedness, cooperativeness, practicality, dependability, ability to assume responsibility, and the desire to be helpful are absolute requirements. The appointee must possess balanced imagination, initiative, ingenuity, and perseverance.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Ordinarily the appointee will be stationed in a given community. Work will require that he travel most every day in that area. Travel will be by jeep or truck as occasion demands. Living quarters will range from tent to trailer to native houses.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Housing will range from tents to trailers to native houses. Living conditions as a whole will be very modest, but can be made reasonably comfortable considering environmental conditions. Most recreation will be self-generated and there will be no educational facilities. Single persons or married couples without dependents are best suited to the position.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

(Mr. Barham is now on the job.)

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Nidda, Saudi Arabia	X		Nov. 29, 1953
NUMBER: TOUSFO A-44	NAME: Tollie O. Parker		2. DATE RECEIVED: Jan 14, 1954
3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)			
3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action): RECRUIT	REASSIGN	TRANSFER	4. REQUEST NO.
3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action): ESTABLISH NEW	ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL	RECLASSIFY	

FROM		TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-AG-6
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Animal Husbandry Specialist
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT.4-4 $8.463
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Agriculture Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Ar
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS [X] YES [ ] NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

[ ] ATTACHED [ ] SUBMITTED (Give reference)

12. REMARKS

Mr. Parker is now on the job.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

The purpose of this position is (1) to study, analyze and recommend how livestock production can be improved in Saudi Arabia, and (2) in cooperation with Saudi officials render technical assistance in a livestock improvement program.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Except supervisory duties)

1. Improve breeding practices of livestock 30%
2. Improve feeding practices of livestock 20%
3. Give technical assistance in the care and management of livestock 10%
4. Place emphasis on increased production per animal unit 5%
5. Plan and execute livestock disease and pest control programs 20%
6. Promote training programs on community, province, and countrywide levels 15%

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

Supervision will be by indirection through Saudi employees. At times supervision may be direct, and should not involve more than a dozen local employees.

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16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

Farmers, technicians of host country Department of Agriculture, farmers, local and central government officials, USOM personnel and cooperative agencies.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

Chief, Agriculture Division. Requires no further review, except for policy.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Appointee must have had successful experience in the breeding, feeding and care and management of farm livestock, and experimental experience pertaining to livestock improvement.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Graduate of a recognized college with a degree in agriculture, or its equivalent, where emphasis was placed on training in animal husbandry.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
30 - 60 years	Two years	None

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to work and cooperate with people on various levels of training, experience, and cultural opportunities in the areas of farming, local and central government, and technical services. Tact, racial broadmindedness, cooperativeness, practicality, dependability, ability to assume responsibility, and the desire to be helpful are absolute requirements. The appointee must possess balanced imagination, initiative, ingenuity and perseverance.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Appointee must be physically fit for outdoor activities and of good health. is work will require that he travel to various rural areas of the country where services are required, and travel, as such, will amount to approximately one-fifth of his time. Most of the remaining time will be spent at project sites in the field. Housing will vary from tents, trailers and native housing in the field to modern living quarters in

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Housing in Jidda is modest, but adequate - running water and electricity are avail able. Air travel is available. Recreation is limited to movies at the Embassy, swimm parties. A grade subscription school has been organized for a limited number of Ameri children up to the Sixth Grade. High School is available at Beirut, Lebanon, which wo necessitate boarding. In the field and at field stations, housing will range from ten to trailers to native houses. Living conditions, as a whole, are very modest, but can ~~made reasonably comfortable considering environment.~~

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

Most recreation is self-generated and there are no educational facilities in the field.

(Mr. Parker is now on the job.)

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FROM: Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS	1. DATE SENT: Nov. 29, 1953
NUMBER: TOUSFO A-45	NAME: Billie Rountree		2. DATE RECEIVED: Jan 14, 1954
3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)			4. REQUEST NO.
3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)	RECRUIT	REASSIGN	TRANSFER
3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)	ESTABLISH NEW	ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL	RECLASSIFY

FROM		TO
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B. SA-AG-11
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B. Agronomist
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B. PT.4-4 $8.463
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B. Agriculture Division
9A.	MISSION OR STEM	B. US Operations Mission to Saudi Ar
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin.)	B. 72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS [X] YES [ ] NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

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12. REMARKS

A candidate for this position is now being processed.

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

In cooperation with SAG Agricultural officials, to plan, recommend and carry forward improved crop production programs for the farming areas of the country.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Except supervisory duties)

a. Recommend cultural practices pertaining to seed selection, preparation of land, fertilization, cultivation and harvesting of farmcrops.

b. Be responsible for the determination and conduct of research in the effort to select and produce improved varieties of crops.

c. Collaborate and work with Saudi and USOM technicians (irrigation engineer, soils specialist, entomologist, et al.) concerning ways and means of extending and improving crop production in Saudi Arabia.

d. Backstop for agricultural extension technicians in their efforts to improve crop production in their respective areas.

e. Visit and work in the field with stationed technicians in the planning and carrying forward programs of crop improvement.

f. Represent the Mission in conferences and other meetings pertaining to agronomic problems of Saudi Arabia.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

Incumbent will supervise the establishment of demonstration plots for seed testing and other crop experimental work appropriate to improving crop production in Saudi Arabia. Also, he will supervise crop improvement program in the various areas in cooperation with the extension technicians stationed there.

16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

Farmers, local and central government officials, USOM personnel and cooperative agencies.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other government)

Chief, Agriculture Division. Requires no further review, except for policy.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Appointee must have had successful experience in the production of farm crops and experimental work pertaining to crop improvement.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Graduate of a recognized college with a BS degree in Agriculture or its equivalent.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
30 - 50 years	Two years	None

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to work and cooperate with people on various levels of training, experience, and cultural opportunities in the areas of farming, local and central go ment and technical services. Tact, racial broadmindedness, cooperativeness, practic dependability, ability to assume responsibility, and the desire to be helpful, are al requirements. The incumbent must possess balanced imagination, initiative, persever and ingenuity.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Appointee must be physically fit for outdoor activities and of good health. Hi work will require that he travel to various rural areas of the country where service are required, and travel, as such, will amount to approximately one-fifth of his tim Most of the remaining time will be spent at project sites in the field. Housing wil vary from tents, trailers and native housing in the field to modern living quarters

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS

Living quarters will be modest but adequate - running water, electricity, air c ditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Jidda is serviced by several airlines. Recrea is limited to movies at Embassy, swimming, hunting, tennis and considerable social l foreign and local communities. A grade school has been organized for a limited numb American children up to Sixth Grade. High school is available at Beirut, which woul necessitate boarding.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

(A candidate for this position is now being processed.)

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FROM		TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS	1. DATE SENT
Jidda, Saudi Arabia	X			Dec. 1, 1953
NUMBER: TOUSFO A-46	NAME:			2. DATE RECEIVED

3. ACTION REQUESTED (If not listed in A or B, specify in remarks item 12)

3A. PERSONNEL (X-Check appropriate action)

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4. REQUEST NO.

3B. POSITION (X-Check appropriate action)

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FROM		TO	
5A.	POSITION NUMBER	B.	Not known in this Mission
6A.	POSITION TITLE	B.	Construction Engineer, Highway & Public Works
7A.	CLASS & SALARY	B.	PT.4-3 $9,130
8A.	ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT	B.	Transportation & Communications Div.
9A.	MISSION OR SYEM	B.	US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia
10A.	APPROPRIATION SYMBOL (Admin)	B.	72-112/41019
	TAA NO. & ACTIVITY CODE	B.	

11. WITHIN APPROVED CEILING AND FUNDS ☒ YES ☐ NO—IF NO, JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASE

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12. REMARKS

13. GENERAL PURPOSE OR FUNCTION OF POSITION

To advise and assist the Saudi Government in the building of government buildings, highways, setting a certain standard for the construction of such buildings, sewage systems, etc. Also setting up a permanent Public Works Department for Saudi Arabia.

14. LIST OF MAJOR DUTIES (Attach explanatory data)

To assist in making a survey of present highways and government buildings, sewerage systems, harbor dock improvements, etc., with a view to setting up certain standards for all new construction along these particular lines. This work is to be carried out in various parts of Saudi Arabia.

15. SUPERVISORY DUTIES

None.

16. PUBLIC AND INTERNAL CONTACTS (State with whom and for what purpose)

Incumbent will work with Saudi Government representatives and engineers, and with contractors doing any of the work outlined.

17. SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AVAILABLE (State nature and from whom or what, include description of TA relationships with other governments)

Chief, Transportation and Communications Division.

18. SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE DESIRED

Knowledge of all types of building construction, as well as construction of highways, particularly in hot, sandy, desert country.

Considerable amount of training and experience with U.S. Public Roads Department, State Public Works Dept. or large contractor doing this type of construction. Also knowledge of administration and organization of Public Works Department.

19. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (State whether mandatory or desirable)

Engineering degree from a recognized college or university.

20. AGE REQUIREMENTS	21. SERVICE PERIOD REQUIREMENTS	22. LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
40 - 55	2 Years	None. Arabic or French helpful, but not essential

23. PERSONALITY REQUIREMENTS

Patience, tact, diplomacy, emotional stability and ability to get along with people of different culture, language and customs.

24. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Candidate should be in good physical condition and have no disabilities that would hamper his travelling in rough desert country. Also, he should be able to endure extremely hot weather.

25. FAMILY OR LIVING LIMITATIONS Living quarters in Jidda will be modest but adequate - running water electricity, air conditioning, stoves and refrigerators. Limited food supplies may be ordered from the commissary in Dhahran; fresh fruits, vegetables, meat from suppliers in Asmara; advisable to have maximum food order sent from U.S. A grade school has been organized for a limited number of American children up to Sixth Grade. High School is available at Beirut, which would necessitate boarding. It will be necessary to make trips to various parts of Saudi Arabia and at times incumbent will live in desert camps with other members of field parties.

26. SUGGESTED CANDIDATES OR RECRUITMENT SOURCES

Possible candidates would be engineers who have been connected with the U.S. Public Works Department or some State Public Works Dept., or with a contracting firm which has done considerable work along these particular lines.

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REGARDING: Jawad - biographical sketch.

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Information is requested regarding WHO Malaria Control Program with respect to (1) ability of USOM/SA to absorb direction of program during FY 1954 and (2) number of local personnel trained by WHO, their present employment and their prospects for future employment with SAG or USOM utilizing training received. Information is requested regarding status of two fellowships provided by WHO under this program. It is noted that proposed FOA program FY 1955 would provide for taking over WHO Malaria Control program but the gap between March 15 and the date in FY 1955 funds are appropriated and approved might cause the loss of WHO trained personnel. Advise soonest.

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DATE December 6, 1953

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FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - November 1953

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SECTION I. CRITIQUE

During the month under review there were a number of significant political changes which took place here in Saudi Arabia. On November 9 King Ibn Saud died. Immediately prior to his death a decree was issued establishing a Cabinet of Ministers over which the Crown Prince is to preside. Such Cabinet will handle all major matters of state and will pass on all domestic and foreign agreements. A Ministry of Communications was established headed by Prince Talal, which Ministry was formerly under the Ministry of Finance. It is reported that a Ministry of Agriculture (formerly under the Ministry of Finance) and a Ministry of Education (formerly under the Ministry of Interior) has been established although official pronouncement has not been made. It is further reported that a Ministry of Public Works (new) and a Ministry of Public Health (formerly under the Ministry of Interior) will be established in the near future. These changes indicate that the power formerly held by the Ministry of Finance, also the Ministry of Interior, has been and will be appreciably curtailed, thereby throwing more power into the Cabinet.

Shaikh Abdullah Suleiman, Minister of Finance, and Prince Abdullah Feisal, Minister of Interior, returned to Saudi Arabia shortly before the King's death and remained at their posts all during the month of November.

Programwise there was very little activity during the month of November due to the fact that although FY-54 budget approval was received, we still have not received the covering allotment of funds. It is to be regretted that five months of the FY-54 period have passed without our having been able to initiate our FY-54 programs. Such prolonged delays do considerable harm to the prestige of USAOM among Saudi Government officials. It is hoped that in future years such delays will not be encountered.

The FY-55 budget was sent to Washington last month covering many programs which I considered to be of vital interest to Saudi Arabia in the different fields of technical assistance and economic aid.

We are proceeding as rapidly as possible with preparatory investigations on the Khulais Community Development Project and we hope that during the next month we will be in a position to present such project - under the Community Development Agreement - to SAG for their consideration and approval so that work can be started without further delay.

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SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

November has witnessed considerable activity. Much time has been spent on constructing, enlarging and refining the 1955 budget as well as making more detailed plans for the current year, the budget for which was approved by FOA/W a short time ago.

Soil surveys have been started at the Kilo Ten Experimental Station and in the Khulais Community area. Plans have been made to begin extension work at Khulais when a counterpart for Mr. Stewart can be furnished by the Department of Agriculture. Additional wells have been drilled at Khulais and El Darb where fair showings have been made.

Mr. Otis Parker made a trip to Iraq and Iran to study livestock breeding programs. It is unofficially announced that a Ministry of Agriculture has been established by SAG. During the month Messrs. Parker, Schwan and Stewart completed a trip to central and eastern Saudi Arabia where they reviewed agricultural conditions in general.

Mr. Fred A. Barham, newly arrived Agricultural Extension Specialist, is now engaged in assembling materials for initiating his work at Hofuf in Al Hasa Province. Mr. Nixon's study of date varieties nears completion. His report will be submitted shortly. A recent visit was made by the Chief of the Division to review the entire date research study.

Mr. Gibbs has begun a soils survey at the Kilo Ten Horticulture Experiment Station where he finds a high water table and plant nutrients are not available in proportions suitable for healthy plant growth and fruit production. However, he feels that the Station is a good location for studying fertilizer response, use of green manures, compost, and water management. Mr. Gibbs' initial work at Khulais leads him to believe that the community has at least 2,000 acres of good arable land and that farmers are now irrigating only a very small amount of this land.

The trip by Messrs. Parker, Schwan and Stewart to Central and Eastern Saudi Arabia took them over 1840 miles of all types of roads and into some of the most important farming and grazing sections. Their observations are proving valuable as planning turns to activity in concrete programs of extension work, livestock improvement and range revegetation. Mr. Parker's trip to Iraq and Iran was for the purpose of studying livestock breeding and production programs under Point 4 leadership. He found that native foundation stock was not an improvement over livestock in Saudi Arabia and that purebred sires were being imported from the U.S.

Under direction of the Natural Resources Division, two additional wells have been drilled in the Khulais community, somewhat nearer cultivable land and two more have been drilled at El Darb. The latter are reported as good producers, and of good water. Additional wells are planned.

A trip was made by the Chief Agriculturist to Al Hasa to review the date study made by Mr. Nixon. Work has gone according to plan and Mr. Nixon will

return to the U.S. on December 16. While at Dhahran and Dammam an effort was made to find living quarters for technicians to be stationed in that area. Only one two-bedroom apartment could be located, which was at Dammam, and the price was SR 15,000 a year in advance.

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Health and Sanitation

Some minor changes were made in the specifications for the equipment for the Quarantine Station Project and an obligation number in the amount of $90,000 was sent to purchase the equipment. Mr. Skrinde and his counterpart submitted plans and specifications for making the necessary changes in the building where the equipment is to be installed. Also a brief engineering report was submitted to the Ministry for the installation of a water line to the Station.

Residual chlorine tests are being run on the water hauled to one of the apartment houses where some technicians are living. The tests indicate that the chlorinating procedure is satisfactory.

At the request of the Chief of Preventive Medicine in the Ministry of Health, Miss Potter, Chief Nurse, began classes in Maternal and Child Health for nurses now experienced, because there was insufficient time to obtain proper teaching aids; then the classes were interrupted by the death of the King; next, it was found that the lectures had to be given in Arabic, Amharic, and Italian. In addition, the room made available for these classes was far from satisfactory. Finally, the Chief of Preventive Medicine requested that the classes be temporarily postponed because a Project Agreement was not signed yet, and he was being subjected to pressure in the Ministry to stop the classes until an agreement was signed. The classes have been suspended, but in the meantime Miss Potter is making the necessary preparations so that if classes are begun again, sufficient teaching material will be available.

A requisition for necessary medical equipment and supplies for operation of a Maternal and Child Health Center has been prepared. If the Project Agreement is ever signed, an obligation number will be cabled to FOA/W to purchase the equipment and supplies.

During the month excessive rains fell in Jidda, and therefore all the many depressions were filled with water, making some excellent breeding places for mosquitoes. Since the WHO Malaria Control Team was busy in Wadi Fatima, Dr. Butler has been assisting the Ministry make a mosquito survey and institute control measures. Dr. Butler did not take the lead in this, but persuaded the Ministry to do so.

The Malaria and Bilharzia surveys planned for Wadi Khulais were held up because of delays in purchase of local equipment for Dr. Butler. Other supplies have been requisitioned in the U.S.

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Education

Activity of the Education Division during the month of November has consisted mostly of writing a project to cover railroad trade training for the Ministry of Communications, preparing the supporting information and justification for the review of FOA/W, working over the FY-55 budget, conferring with officials of SAG and working on training grant applications.

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Natural Resources

Two production wells for the City of Yenbo were completed in Yenbo. Mr. Goudarzi supervised pumping tests of these wells and analyzed the water samples. These wells should insure a satisfactory Yenbo city water supply.

Mr. Goudarzi supervised a pumping test on a well at Wejj. This well is being considered for supplying the village of Wejj.

Work was continued by Mr. Goudarzi on the geological reports and maps dealing with the proposed Jidda-Riyadh railroad.

Mr. Bogue completed the report, in collaboration with Mr. K. S. Twitchell, of the Zalm (Dhalm) Gold-Silver Mine.

An inspection and reconnaissance trip was made south of Jidda, along the coastal plain, to Qizan. Well locations for a Lith city water supply were made. Two wells were completed during the month. Pumping tests have not been made, but the water appears to be fresh and sufficient. A series of locations were picked in the Qunfida-Hali region for a proposed drilling program there. An inspection was made of the Darb region. Two fresh water wells were completed and an additional location was picked. All wells completed in this region have produced water satisfactory for irrigation purposes.

The drilling program under the Division's supervision continues in the Taif region. Wells number 5 and 6 were completed in the Khulais region.

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Public Administration

Dr. John Dunaway departed for the U.S. on November 10. Since he was the only technician in the Division, no activity has been carried on.

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b. Local Participation

Health and Sanitation

The Ministry has been quite slow in providing the necessary utilities for the Quarantine Station, but they have been taking some steps in that direction lately. Mr. Skrinde's counterpart is still doing a good job in preparing details on necessary changes at the Station.

The Chief of Preventive Medicine has been doing all that he can to get the Maternal and Child Health Project Agreement operating, but we are holding this up because of lack of funds.

We have a feeling that the Ministry is willing to cooperate and participate in projects with us, but we have not been showing much leadership, because of lack of funds and personnel.

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c. Training

Health and Sanitation

See comments under Maternal and Child Health Project. The Ministry is still waiting for USOM/SA to tell them what information we have about the possibility of providing public health training in Arabic in nearby countries.

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Education

In addition to other assistance, the Ministry of Finance has furnished the Education Division with a full time translator. Funds can not be spent by the Mission to supply this service which has during the past months been a serious handicap. Eight training grant applications are in process of preparation due to this added assistance. Most of these will be ready for submission to FOA/W during the early part of December.

One trainee was scheduled for departure to the U.S. on November 21. Request through the Mission for advance of funds for travel and visa was made October 13. However, as of the 25th, advice from the grantee is to the effect that he is still waiting for this service through the Cairo Embassy. It is hoped that he will be able to depart soon, since his training was scheduled to start December first.

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SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture

Developments have been slow due to the fact that the current fiscal year budget was approved only about ten days ago. As yet, the first quarterly allotment under this budget has not been received. The prospects for accomplishing much this year are becoming small. However, it is still possible to get much work started.

Continuation projects have been planned for FY-55 with the addition of more projects, including the establishment of an agricultural school. Two technicians, Messrs. Stewart and Schwan, have not been furnished with Saudi counterparts. This is a critical situation. I know of only one Saudi in the entire country who is possibly trained sufficiently to serve as a fair counterpart to one of our technicians. There seems to be a determined effort not to place trained personnel from other countries in counterpart or important places for training leaders.

The Khulais Community Development Project Agreement should be consummated this month and Mr. Stewart has been assigned as Agricultural Extension Specialist to this community. An irrigation engineer is needed very badly to team with Messrs. Stewart, Gibbs, Schwan and Parker in developing a well-rounded project agreement. The Agriculture Division does not have sufficient vehicles for the men ready for action, though a requisition for vehicles was submitted as early as February of this year.

It appears that Saudi Arabia is to have a Ministry of Agriculture. To date (since 1949, when established) the Department of Agriculture has existed within the framework of the Ministry of Finance. The present Director of the Department of Agriculture has been absent from his office for about six months and the Assistant Director is impotent. Consequently, a change will be welcomed. An official announcement establishing the Ministry of Agriculture is expected at an early date.

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Health and Sanitation

A further revision of the FY-55 budget was prepared and submitted to the Director.

The development of the Maternal and Child Health Project Agreement was discussed under Operations Summary because it is almost in that stage even though no agreement is yet signed.

There is an urgent need for the Division to receive its FY-54 allotment. It is next to useless to continue to discuss with the Ministry the development of a program until we produce on the projects that have been discussed in the past.

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Education

The Transportation project (industrial training), along with all supporting documentation, went forward some time ago. However, the FY-54 allotments for the current fiscal year have not yet been made and it is doubtful if the project can be approved by FOA/W until that has been done. In the meantime it is probable that interest in the project will have passed before authority to move can be secured, much in the same manner that the Commercial School Project has fared. The latter was rewritten ten times before submission to TCA/W, rewritten in Washington, and rewritten five times since, due largely to changing governmental personnel in these last five instances. The SAG indicated it was ready to sign the first version last February and several versions since. However, interest in signing now is normal and it is likely with a new Minister of Education just being appointed that the project will have to be reworked once more.

This would be a relatively simple task since it has been done so many times except that without stenographic assistance it becomes tedious. Unless some authority to make contractual arrangements directly in the field can be made, there is little hope for change in the rather standardized routine of operational experience and procedure. The Ministry of Communications has its money ready for a cooperative service project but they can hardly be expected to hold it ready for an extended period.

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Transportation and Communications

Discussions were held during November with General Grover, Chief of the USAF Base at Dhahran, regarding the installation of visual omni-range equipment on the Jidda airfield. This is a proposed FY-54 project. It is planned to hold a meeting next month in Beirut where a decision will be made on the make and type of visual omni-range to be installed. The equipment to be installed on the Jidda airport will therefore be standardized with other installations in the region.

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SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS

a. Agreements Executed.

None.

b. Agreements under Current Negotiation

Jidda Commercial School.
Dammam Industrial Training School.

c. Implementation of Agreements

Nothing to report.

d. Requests

Health and Sanitation

The Ministry has asked for a Bilharzia Survey to be made in the Wadi Fatima area. This request will not be developed into a separate project but will be used as a lever to get the Ministry to establish a section of Vector Disease Control, and include in it such things as Bilharzia Control, Dengue Fever Control, Plague and Typhus Control, etc. However, the request will be honored when the Ministry provides some of the necessary equipment for the survey. In the meantime, some necessary supplies are being ordered from the States.

The Ministry requested that the Mission make available a technician to accompany one from the Ministry, one from WHO and from ARAMCO to survey an area in northern Arabia and make recommendations for Malaria control. This request will be honored when the time is set by the Ministry for the trip to take place, along the lines expressed in the above paragraph.

Another request was made by the Ministry for aid in solving the drainage problem in Jidda. It was pointed out that this was a big problem affecting many people, and therefore careful plans must first be laid and all concerned consulted. However, we offered to help in solving this important health problem.

A request was received for assistance in setting up a training course for sub-professional personnel of the Ministry. Since the WHO is also interested in the project, it was suggested that WHO also be present for the discussions.

All of these requests were made verbally by the Chief of the Preventive Medicine Division of the Ministry. The number of requests indicate that the Ministry is accepting us and they believe we may be useful to the Ministry.

SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

Nothing to report.

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SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT FOUR

Health and Sanitation

The WHO Malaria Control Team's tour of duty will end March 15, 1954, and it is already planning for departure because it must first make a survey in the Gizan area before it leaves the country. The team was sent here to train local personnel in malaria control work and has worked hard toward this end.

Little effort has been made to integrate this work into the administration of the Ministry and as a result we believe unless a program can be developed with the Ministry before the WHO Team leaves, the malaria work will be discontinued and the personnel distributed to the various hospitals in the Ministry, or their services terminated.

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SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Health and Sanitation

The following is not a complaint but simply a statement of fact: The Health Program is being seriously retarded because of (1) lack of funds, (2) lack of secretarial help, (3) insufficient technicians, and (4) inadequate transportation.

Education

Apparently these monthly reports are not read and serve as perfunctory activity since there is never an acknowledgment of the consideration of any problem material in them. Clerical assistance has gone from five to two secretaries in the Mission, with one of these asking for transfer. Reports are that no secretaries will come to Saudi Arabia because of the hard living conditions.

(CONFIDENTIAL)

Natural Resources

The relations between USOM/SA, Baker and SAG have been of prime concern to the Division during the month. USOM/SA has been informed that the contract for the SAG Water Resources Division of Baker has been awarded the German concern effective January 1, 1954. Information concerning these problems is contained in other communications.

John Bode
Acting Director
U.S. Operations Mission
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DESP. NO.

TO : FOA/W

December 6, 1953
DATE

REF : USFOTO CIRC NA-7

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FROM : US Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia

DESP. NO. TOUSFO A-50

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

DATE December 10, 1953

REF : FOA/W

For Director, Budget Division

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SUBJECT:

Reference is made to USFOTO 107 of October 12, 1953, stating that Allotment C-401470 has been increased $37,800 for October obligations, and that an Advice of Allotment will follow.

The Allotment Advice referred to has not as yet been received.

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FROM : USAOM/Jidda

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DESP. NO.

TO : ~~INFORMATION COPY, WASHINGTON~~
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January 7, 1954
DATE

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SUBJECT: The application of Rida Murshid for type "C" training grant, FOA, in commercial and business office procedures.

SUMMARY

The application form 27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 20, for type "C" training grant in commercial and business office procedures, along with recommendations for the approval of the grant by the participating government agencies and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant, a graduate of the government secondary school with a high scholastic average, along with outstanding personal qualifications, currently employed in a responsible position with the Ministry of Finance, has better than average promise to profit by the training program he requests. Strongly recommended by the Director General of the Ministry of Finance, he is sincere and earnest in his ambition to secure advanced training and skill in the area of his present occupational employment as Superintendent and Chief Clerk in the office of the Director General of the Ministry of Finance. His application, accompanied by all necessary forms, documents, recommendations and information pertaining thereto, is going forward under single cover with this communication. The candidate is being recommended for a type "C" training grant. The international travel cost will be defrayed by SAG along with other incidental expenses not provided through the provisions of the grant requested. The United States Government will pay for subsistence and other cost incident to training, including domestic travel, in accordance with rules and regulations currently governing training grants of the type being applied for. The applicant will be employed by the Ministry of Finance in the occupational area of his training on his return to Saudi Arabia. Security clearance for the candidate is assured. The funds to defray the expense of this type "C" training grant are budgeted and available under Authorization of Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

Earliest telegraphic advice of approval, though more formal notification may follow.

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TO : ~~THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.~~
FOA/W

January 7, 1954
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SUBJECT: The application of Bakur Abbas Khomais for Type "C" FOA Training Grant in commercial practices and business management.

SUMMARY

The application form 27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 20, for a Type "C" Training Grant in commercial practices and business management, along with strong recommendations for approval of the grant by participating agencies of government and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant is an unquestionably outstanding prospect for training in the occupational area for which the grant is requested, with a promising background of training and experience in his chosen field of study. The candidate possesses personal characteristics and qualifications which assure his successful pursuit of the recommended training program to be followed in the United States. His application is accompanied by all necessary forms, documents and information pertaining thereto, all of which are going forward under single cover with this application. The training period is to extend over a period of twelve months. The cost of international travel is to be borne by the SAG. All other expenses of the grant are to be borne by the United States in accordance with current regulations governing grants of this kind. Security clearance has been received for the applicant. The funds to defray the expense of this Type "C" Grant are budgeted and available under Authorization of Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

Earliest telegraphic advice of approval, although more formal notification may follow.

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FROM : USOM/Saudi Arabia

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.
Foreign Operations Administration

January 9, 1954

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SUBJECT:

FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - December 1953

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FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - December 1953

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

During the month of December further significant political changes took place in Saudi Arabia. Prince Sultan Bin Abdul-Aziz was officially appointed Minister of Agriculture, and assumedoffice immediately thereafter. Prince Fahed Bin Abdul-Aziz was appointed Minister of Education and assumed office immediately thereafter. Shaikh Mohammed Sorour, former Advisor to the Minister of Finance, was appointed Deputy Minister of Finance and also a member of the Cabinet of Ministers.

Shortly after the appointment of the above mentioned Ministers, the Country Director made a protocol visit to each of them, during which the technical assistance of this Mission was offered to them. They expressed gratification and stated that they would be only too glad to have us assist them in setting up their respective Ministry to be followed by discussions covering budgets, programs, projects, etc. Since these initial visits the Country Director, accompanied by Dr. Edens, Chief of our Agriculture Division, and Dr. Brown, Chief of our Natural Resources Division, called upon the Minister of Agriculture, at his request, to discuss the aforementioned plans in greater detail. The new Minister of Education has stated that within a few days he would like to get together with the Country Director and Dr. Dolley, Chief of our Education Division, for the same purpose. You will be interested to know that both of these new Ministers are most anxious to make "a showing" in their respective fields.

During the latter part of December Prince Abdullah Feisal, Minister of Interior and Minister of Public Health, signed the Maternal and Child Health Center agreement.

Since the receipt of advice from Washington notifying us that allotment of funds covering our 1954 programs had been made, we have been actively engaged in negotiating agreements with the respective Ministries of the SAG. To date satisfactory progress has been made in this direction.

We are still greatly handicapped by not having adequate personnel, particularly secretarial. We have cabled FOA/W regarding the recruitment status of personnel requested, as well as the ETA on personnel already recruited, but so far have received no reply.

Furthermore, our activities here are being held up by reason of the fact that we have not received from FOA/W the final text of diplomatic notes to be exchanged with SAG setting up the 1954 technical assistance and technical aid programs. Furthermore, the Embassy has not received the requested instructions to present the diplomatic notes, in accordance with TCA Manual dated September 1, 1953, establishing the cooperative service type of agreement for both our technical assistance and economic aid programs. We hope that the above will be

received here very soon.

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SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

A trip to Iran and Iraq was made by Mr. Otis Parker, Livestock Specialist, to observe programs of livestock improvement and to locate desirable breeds of sheep for foundation purposes. The trip was disappointing from the latter standpoint.

Mr. George Gibbs, Soils Scientist, has mapped farm lands in the Khulais Valley and determined their irrigation qualifies and, to a certain extent, soil-crop adaptability. Only about one-fifth of the farmable land is being farmed, most of the wells need cleaning out, work oxen are very scarce, and the people as a whole are very poor. Most land is of good quality and awaits a larger water supply, improved irrigation practices, better seeds, and a better cropping system.

Preliminary extension work was started in the Khulais Valley by C. Verne Stewart, Extension Specialist, and his Saudi counterpart. Thus far, work has consisted of observation and study of present situations and meeting the Emirs and farmers of the valley. This has revealed many abandoned farms, sand and trash-filled wells, scarce supply of seeds, inadequate cropping systems, considerable insect infestation, wind damage to crops, livestock lacking both in numbers and in quality, and the need for health and education facilities.

The date variety study conducted by Mr. Roy W. Nixon, Date Specialist, was completed. The most important varieties numbered five with about a dozen of secondary importance. This study should be of great value to date growers in guiding their planting programs. The report is under review and will be published in mimeographed form at an early date.

Extension work is being initiated in the Hofuf Community under direction of Mr. Fred Barham and his Saudi counterpart, Ibrihim Husseini.

Aerial photography of the Khulais Valley farming area has been completed and maps are now in process of completion. These maps will be of great assistance in community farm planning and of value in solving irrigation problems.

Soils surveys at the SAG Horticultural Station (Kilo 10) and at Kilo 40 farm were made by Messrs. Gibbs and Parker in attempting to locate a site for the Livestock Improvement Farm Project.

Mr. Herbert Schwan, Desert Range Conservationist, has been studying vegetation response to the November rains. Also plans have been laid for planting seeds at Khulais and at Kilo 10. A collection of seeds was received from Dr. Hyland of U.S.D.A. which will be used at Khulais, Kilo 10 and other selected localities. Mr. Schwan has been handicapped because of the lack of a counterpart. This has prevented visits to grazing areas and the selection of demonstration areas to be fenced.

(Unclassified)

Health and Sanitation

The Quarantine Station Project has been progressing fairly well during the month. FOA/W reports that the equipment will arrive FAS New York by February 1, 1954. However, it is not clear whether this equipment includes four exhaust-type fans and no reply has been received to an inquiry on the matter. We can be sure, at any rate, that the disinfecting equipment will arrive in Jidda in April at the latest, and in ample time for the coming 1954 Hajj.

Early in November 1953, an engineering report was submitted to the Ministry of Health recommending a number of construction alterations to the Disinfecting Building, which would improve its general usefulness and make it more suitable for the autoclaving process. In December a meeting with Drs. Nazif, Shuman and Hashem indicated their viewpoint on the various items in the report. On items where agreement was reached Mr. Skrinde was requested by the Ministry to prepare cost estimates. These were submitted. In order to be on record as strongly urging the construction of a skylight in the Sterilization Rooms and to relieve USAOM/SA of responsibility of poor operation of the sterilizers due to improper conditions in the Disinfection Building, it was decided to meet with officials of the Ministry.

The Quarantine Station has been operating during December for the care of smallpox and meningitis patients as heretofore. Periodic trips to the Station have insured a sufficient water supply.

An inspection of the source of the Jidda water supply has been completed by Mr. Skrinde. Wadi Fatima, the source, was visited together with the Egyptian engineer who constructed the new 20 inch water pipeline. Although the water is supposedly being chlorinated, no residual chlorine could be detected in the Jidda supply at several examination points.

A report will be prepared with recommendations for improvement of the present conditions.

Dr. Butler has been working and cooperating with the WHO Malaria Team and the SAG Ministry of Health during the present emergency malaria threat to Jidda.

(Unclassified)

Natural Resources

The Division of Natural Resources worked on the following during the month:

1. Maps showing geology along the proposed Riyadh-Jidda railroad were nearly completed by the end of the month. A report to accompany the maps is in rough draft.

2. A report on a water supply for the town of Yenbo was submitted to the Ministry of Finance. It recommends that two wells at Al Marabah, 50 kilometers east of Yenbo, be used for the city supply.

3. Photo maps of the Asir-Tihama block were submitted to USGS and plans made for printing 100 copies each of about 50 quadrangles showing one degree of longitude and 30 minutes of latitude with names in Arabic and English. These are for administrative use by SAG and USOM/SA.

4. Work continued on the compilation of maps, both geographic and geologic.

5. During December three wells were completed for a water supply at the new sanitarium at Taif.

6. Two exploration wells indicating a supply of fresh water at the Darb community development were also completed.

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b. Local Participation

Agriculture

As yet, Mr. Schwan has not been provided with a Saudi counterpart. This is seriously retarding his program of work. Many promises have been made by the Department of Agriculture but no counterpart is in sight.

Health and Sanitation

No counterpart Saudi has yet been assigned to the new Maternal and Child Health Center project. The Saudi doctor who is to work with Miss Potter, USAOM/SA Chief Nurse, has not been appointed to this assignment.

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c. Training

Education

One trainee grant application has been filed with FOA/W during

December. It is hoped that some five or six of these applications may be forwarded during the early part of January for consideration of FOA/W. The problem of secretarial assistance still remains the same. It is expected that some relief will be felt during the month of January.

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SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Health and Sanitation

Miss Potter, Chief Nurse, has been preparing work plans and operations for the Maternal and Child Health Center in anticipation of the signing of the project agreement.

(Unclassified)

SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS

a. Agreements Executed

Health and Sanitation

The Maternal and Child Health Center project was signed by Prince Abdullah Feisal, Minister of Health, on December 22, 1953.

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b. Agreements Under Current Negotiation

Agriculture

Drafts of joint cooperative project agreements covering all of the projects in the Division (Projects 1, 2 and 3) have been prepared. It is expected that negotiations with SAG on these project agreements will be started in January.

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Education

Much effort has been expended during the month of December in trying to secure ratification of the Commercial School Project. Copies of the project have been reviewed by all government officials who might possibly be concerned with the financing and operation of this school. The project itself is now in the hands of the Prime Minister who, according to advice of our liaison officials, must now direct the Minister of Interior to sign the project. The Ministry of Finance has authorized the expenditure of the money and certified to the fact that funds are available. It is sincerely hoped that this project may be signed within a week.

The Chief of Education has conferred with Prince Talal, Minister of Communications, twice during the month concerning the ratification of the Railroad Training Project to be developed at Dammam. The interest at both of these conferences might be expressed as a matter of concern and anxiety as to when the work might get started. The second conference was held at the King's palace in Riyadh. From Riyadh the Chief of Education accompanied the Secretary General of the Ministry of Communications to Dammam where conferences were held for several days with railroad officials including the Superintendent of Education and Training. These conferences covered general discussions of the problems and plans for the construction of a school building.

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c. Implementation of Agreements

Agriculture

The Agriculture Division faces a serious situation due to the disorganized condition of the Saudi Department of Agriculture. The present Director General of Agriculture failed to get his departmental budget approved to his satisfaction last March. In April he departed for Egypt where he stayed for about six months. Upon his return he has been engaged in establishing a printing plant and has not been available at the Department of Agriculture office. The Assistant Director has been on a two months trip and has not returned. In the meantime, the Head of the Horticulture Division has been acting. However, he has made himself very scarce, possibly not wanting to make any decisions because of the present political situation.

Creation of a new Ministry of Agriculture has been announced and one of the Princes has been appointed Minister of Agriculture. It is not yet known when he will assume office.

(Confidential)

Education

The school system of Saudi Arabia has, up until the latter part of December, been operated through the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of the Interior, and Director General of Education. As of the last week of December, by Royal Decree, education has been removed from these Ministries and set up as a separate Ministry under His Royal Highness Fahad Bin Abdulaziz. The new Minister is reputed to be very energetic and anxious to develop a creditable school system in Saudi Arabia. Although the location of his offices has not been determined, the general feeling is that they will be located in Jidda. This will make it possible for a close collaboration with the Ministry which will prove to be a great improvement over the past arrangement. The Director General of Education has maintained his official offices in Mecca, a closed city, making it virtually impossible to carry on any cooperative enterprise through his office.

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d. Requests

Health and Sanitation

Dr. Shuman, Chief, Preventive Medicine in the SAG Ministry of Health requested that Dr. Butler work with him on methods by which to attack the emergency malaria threat to Jidda caused by the six inches of rainfall in November 1953.

A request was made that Dr. Butler make a bilharzia survey in Wadi Fatima. However, the Ministry has not yet supplied the equipment necessary for the operation.

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SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

d. Technical Reports

Agriculture

A report on the date study made by Mr. Nixon is now under review and will be mimeographed in 200 copies for distribution.

(Unclassified)

SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT 4

Nothing to report.

SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

a. Local Matters of Organization

Agriculture

Vehicles (Jeep station wagons) for agricultural technicians, ordered in February 1953, arrived some two months ago but Customs still holds them because an embargo was placed on Jeeps after the latter were shipped.

The secretarial situation is maddening. The Chief Agriculturist has been in this country for more than a year without the assistance of a secretary. Only typing is available in a very limited quantity. Everything typed must be written in longhand first. Many replies to letters and other matters, perforce, must go unattended which is embarassing to persons who, in the past, have attempted to conduct business at least on a minimum respectable level.

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Health and Sanitation

Requisitions for field equipment necessary for investigations of malaria in Wadi Khulais were submitted October 22, 1953. However, only four of 43 articles listed have been received through local purchase.

A requisition for supplies needed on the MCH Center, prepared on November 24, 1953, has not yet been sent to FOA/W. This may further delay the start of the project.

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Natural Resources

Drilling for water, which has been carried on by government contractors, ceased during the month. A new contract has been made between SAG and a German firm, vice Baker's. The relations between the Natural Resources Division and the new contractors were not clear at the end of the month.

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Transportation and Communications

Inasmuch as Mr. Edward F. Sinclair, Chief, was Acting Executive Officer for three weeks during December, there is nothing to report in this sector.

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TO : [redacted]
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January 9, 1954
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SUBJECT: The applications of Mohamed Abdulla Al Quaiz, Salim Saeed Al Hijaili, Mohamed Nor, Salih Zazoe, Abdulla Darandry, for Type "C" FOA Training Grants in Aircraft Mechanics.

SUMMARY

The application forms 27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 20 parts each, for Type "C" Training Grants in Aircraft Mechanics, along with strong recommendations for approval of the applications from all participating agencies of both governments and interested officials.

APPLICATIONS

The applicants have been carefully and impartially selected from among all native employees in the maintenance and repair shops of the Saudi Airline as being fitted by experience, ability and personal characteristics to profit by the maximum degree from the training program for which these grants are requested. The candidates have the same objectives; to become qualified all-around aircraft mechanics, meeting U.S. C.A.A. requirements for A & E licensing.

The training programs are to extend over a twelve month period and all forms and documents required of the applicants are going forward for all five under a single cover. All applicants speak English, three well and two have a high degree of comprehension. By handling a group training for all, can start at once from English ability standpoint.

The cost of international travel will be borne by SAG. Other expenses of the grants will be borne by the United States in accordance with rules and regulations governing grants of this kind.

Security clearance is assured for the applicants. The funds to defray the expense of these five Type "C" grants are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

Earliest telegraphic advice of approval with more detailed notification to follow.

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TO : ~~[redacted]~~ FOA/W

January 9, 1954
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SUBJECT: The application of Yaccub al Rasheed for a Type "C" FOA Training Grant in Business Administration of Public Works or Heavy Construction.

SUMMARY

The application form 27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 20, for a Type "C" Training Grant in business administration of public works or heavy construction, along with recommendations for approval of the application from participating agencies of the U.S. and Saudi Arabia Governments and other interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant, neat in appearance and intelligent, has a record of successful accomplishment in his chosen occupational area in which he seeks training and possesses all other personal characteristics that would contribute to the successful pursuit of training in the United States in his chosen occupation. He speaks, reads and writes English well and his comprehension is equal to that of a native American. The training program he requests will extend over a twelve month period with the SAG paying all costs of international travel and the U.S. Government paying the cost of subsistence, domestic travel and training expenses in accordance with prevailing regulations governing matters of this kind. The candidate has no immediate family responsibilities and is in a position to depart for training on short notice. The training program desired is significant to the interests of USAOM to Saudi Arabia. Security clearance for the candidate is assured. The funds to defray the expenses of this Type "C" Training Grant are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

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TO : [redacted]

January 10, 1954

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SUBJECT: The application of Wasfi Ezzee for Type "C" FOA Training Grant in General Administration of Customs Procedures.

SUMMARY

The application form 27, in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 20, for Type "C" Training Grant in General Administration of Customs Procedures, along with strong recommendations for approval of the application from the participating agencies of both governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant is intelligent, neat and sincere in his purpose. He is from one of the outstanding families of Arabia and his father, as Chief Inspector of the Courts, is one of the most influential government officials of the country where religious law is the civil law. The applicant is friendly, personable and ambitious to render the greatest service possible to his country. His background of family, experience and training will be conducive to the achievement of the objectives of the training grant requested. The grant applied for is to extend over a period of twelve months, of the Type "C" variety, with the SAG paying for all international travel to and from Washington, D. C. The United States Government will, in accordance with rules and regulations governing grants of this kind, pay for all domestic travel, expenses incident to training, and subsistence allowance while in the United States. Security clearance for the applicant is assured. Funds to defray the expenses of this Type "C" Training Grant are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

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FROM : USACM/Jidda

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.
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January 16, 1954
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SUBJECT: The application of Hasan Daghastany for a Type "C" FOA Training Grant in Commercial Economics.

SUMMARY

The application form 27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 10, for Type "C" Training Grant in Commercial Economics, along with strong recommendations for approval of the application from the participating agencies of both governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The Application for a Type "C" Training Grant is to extend over a period of twelve months. The Saudi Government will pay the cost of international travel to and from Washington, D. C. The United States Government will defray the cost of subsistence, training and travel while in the United States in accordance with regulations governing the handling of grants of this type. The applicant possesses a pleasing, forceful, dynamic personality. He manifests characteristics and personal traits that would make it possible for him to benefit to the greatest degree from the training program requested. Speaks, reads and writes English with above average ability. Comprehension is excellent. The applicant can be considered a well balanced personality. He has had sufficient experience in the occupational area in which he seeks further training to profit by the opportunities of an FOA Type "C" Training Grant. It is strongly recommended that his application be approved at the earliest moment. Security clearance is assured. Funds to defray the expense of this Type "C" Training Grant are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

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TO : ~~THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.~~
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January 18, 1954

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REF : Jidda USFOTO 180, Baghdad USFOTO 266, Dec. 31, 1953

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SUBJECT: Robert B. Kennedy

In accordance with the above reference, the Embassy has forwarded Robert B. Kennedy's pay card for the period December 21, 1952 through June 30, 1953, to USOM/Iraq. On his departure from Jidda, Mr. Kennedy took with him his pay card for the period July 1, 1953 through December 31, 1953, and his TCA/IMS 1953 leave card.

In accordance with MUSTO Circular A-20, dated August 14, 1953, Mr. Kennedy's personnel file has been forwarded to FOA/W, Personnel Division.

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TO : ~~THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.~~
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SUBJECT: Instructions Issued re Numbering of Requisitions

Instructions issued by FOA/W re numbering of requisitions have been misplaced. Request that copies of these instructions be forwarded to Mission in triplicate.

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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REF : TOUSFO A-62

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SUBJECT: Airpar - John Bode

In reference to the recent Airpar submitted for Mr. Bode's position, it is requested that the "X" be deleted from the box in front of the words "Establish New" in Item 3B of the Airpart, as this was inserted through error.

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Jan. 19, 1954
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REF : TOUSFO A-59

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SUBJECT: Airpar - Dorothy J. Haddock

In reference to the recent Airpar submitted for Miss Haddock's position (Secretary) in the Education Division, it is requested that the "X" be deleted from the box in front of the word "Reclassify" in Item 3B of the Airpar, as this was inserted through error.

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SUBJECT: Separation Allowance - Edward F. Sinclair.

As requested, I am attaching hereto medical certificate in support of Mr. Sinclair's request for separation allowance based on the detrimental effect of the climate in Jidda on Mrs. Sinclair's health.

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KING 8-6800

FRANK A. CARROLL, M.D.
Alexandria National Bank Building
Post Office Box 3115
Park Fairfax Station
Alexandria, Virginia

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter is in reference to Mrs. E. F. Sinclair of Arlington, Va., a patient of mine.

In my opinion residence in Arabia (Saudi) is out of the question at this time because of physical reasons.

Sincerely,

Frank A. Carroll

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.
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January 26, 1954

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REF : USFOTO Circular A-22

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SUBJECT: Nomination for the William A. Jump Memorial Award for 1954

No nomination will be made.

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1. Attached hereto are completed Standard Forms No. 61 (Oath of Office, Affidavit, and Declaration of Appointee) for (Mrs.) Ethel Ruth Moser and (Mrs.) Patricia J. D. Anderson.

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Enclosure:
1. Standard Form No. 61, Mrs. Ethel Ruth Moser
2. Standard Form No. 61, Mrs. Patricia J. D. Anderson

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FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - January 1954

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

There was considerable activity during the month under review between this Mission and the respective Ministries covering negotiations of FY/54 projects in order that as many as possible of these may be completed and readied for presentation to the forthcoming meeting of the Council of Ministers scheduled for the second week of February. With the approval of that Council the respective Ministers will be authorized to execute these project agreements.

At the request of the new Ministers - Education and Agriculture - the Chief of our Education Division and the Chief of our Agriculture Division have prepared detailed organizational charts for the new Ministers, as well as job descriptions. Both Ministers have accepted wholeheartedly this material and are establishing their respective Ministries accordingly. The Chief of our Agriculture Division also prepared, at the request of the Minister of Agriculture, a five-year plan covering all phases of agriculture, including animal husbandry and poultry.

Assistance has been given by this Mission to the above Ministries, also the Ministry of Communications, in the preparation of their 54 budgets (March 1954-March 1955).

A work plan has been prepared and submitted to the respective Ministries covering a community development project at Wadi Khulais involving agriculture, health and sanitation, education and transportation (roads). Steps were initiated about the middle of January to "get the ball rolling" towards the establishment by the Saudi Government of a high ranking Planning Committee to study, prepare and implement long range development programs. This matter will be followed as closely and expeditiously as possible.

The personnel situation of this Mission still remains far from adequate. It is hoped that the Personnel Division of FOA/W will give us relief soon.

Pertinent information, data, and cost estimates have been assembled for the preparation of project agreements under economic aid. As soon as it is determined as to the authority under which such projects are to be presented to the Saudi Government, negotiations of these agreements will be initiated.

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

January has been an unusual month of progress in contrast with many months of the past. Our agronomist, B. H. Rountree, who has been needed since the Mission began, arrived and is hard at work. Morale of the Agriculture staff is high with the opportunity in sight of being able to start wheels turning in the direction of concrete accomplishments.

Early in the month Mr. Gibbs completed the soil survey in Wadi Khulais, and he is now making a general reconnaissance survey of the Hofuf and Qatif Oases on the Persian Gulf side. Mr. Parker and his counterpart have completed plans for construction of the livestock improvement farm. In addition, an experimental pit silo has been constructed on one side of the Shaikh's farm at Khulais. The village Emir has become interested and wants to build one. If successful, this could be the beginning of a great increase in livestock production in the wadi area.

Mr. Schman and his counterpart have initiated range vegetation plantings at Kilo 10 and in Wadi Khulais. Some 25 to 30 species of exotic forage plants will be tested and compared. Plans have been completed to begin the selection of 40-acre experimental plots in three important farming areas.

Preliminary studies have been made in Wadi Khulais by Mr. Stewart and in the Hofuf Oasis by Mr. Barham. Preparation has been made to provide equipment for cleaning out a few dug wells at Khulais. Saudis claim that sand and other debris prevent the wells furnishing much more abundant water. When an agreement or other understanding has been reached with the Ministry concerning a program of work at Khulais, activities will pick up greatly.

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Health and Sanitation

The Quarantine Station Project is at a standstill, with no progress made during the past month. A number of administrative items regarding the purchase of disinfection equipment and accessories have been completed but no action has been taken by the Ministry of Health to (1) obtain electricity, (2) put in a water line to the Station, (3) prepare the Disinfection Building for the equipment supplied by Point Four.

As stated in the December Report, conferences were planned with Dr. Nazif, WHO Adviser to the Ministry of Health. However, he was occupied in Mecca during this month and it was impossible to meet with him. In a meeting on December 24,

1953, with Mr. Corson, it was recommended that the Ministry of Health be informed of our position with respect to bringing the equipment to Jidda under present circumstances of lack of utilities necessary for operation. In the absence of Dr. Nasif, a meeting was arranged with Dr. Hashem on January 24, 1954 with Messrs. Corson, Hazleton and Skrinde present. The group then visited the Quarantine Station and inspected the various buildings and facilities. Mr. Corson stressed the fact to Dr. Hashem that electricity and water facilities were absolutely essential to the operation of our equipment and Dr. Hashem indicated that he had done all that he could through letters, urging action by the Ministry. Mr. Corson then suggested that a meeting be arranged with higher officials to discuss the possibility that the Saudi Government install the water pipeline (35,000 S.R.) and purchase a 20 KW electric generator (15,000 S.R.) before the equipment is allowed to leave the United States. He indicated to Dr. Hashem the embarrassment of bringing equipment to Jidda and then not using it, letting it deteriorate in a warehouse. Dr. Hashem suggested a conference with Dr. Koshakji at the earliest opportunity, and Mr. Skrinde suggested that shipment of equipment be deferred until these negotiations are completed.

Summarizing, the status of the Quarantine Project is as follows:

1. The equipment is FAS U.S. port February 1, 1954.

2. It consists of 4 autoclaves, 2 boilers, 4 fans, a 1500 gallon tank, and a 2500 gallon tank.

3. Cost is $90,000 FAS U.S. port. Freight to Jidda will use up balance of $100,000 allotment.

4. Nothing has been done toward bringing in utilities in the seven months that Mr. Skrinde has been on the project and it appears now that the disinfection portion of the quarantine process will not operate in 1954.

5. Treatment of Jidda water to be used for the boilers is being studied. A small water softener is being considered as adequate to remove the large amount of calcium and magnesium present. The water softener was not included in the original equipment order, and will have to be purchased separately.

The Maternal and Child Health Center Project was officially signed on December 30, 1953. It is hoped to start operations soon; however, the Ministry of Health has no money budgeted in this year's current budget. Miss Potter, Chief Nurse, is informed that it will be included in the new budget due in March.

A number of conferences were held this month relative to the project. Miss Potter and health officials visited a partially completed building suitable for

housing the Center but the owner requires a year's rent in advance. The Ministry is unable to fulfill this requirement. The matter has been referred to the Director, USAOM/SA.

On January 5 a meeting was held with Dr. Rushdiah, a woman physician practicing in Mecca, who may be assigned to the project. She approved the operating plans. Dr. Rushdiah has not been back to Jidda.

An additional list of supplies was drawn up for Dr. Shuman on January 23, 1954. The Ministry will review this list and advise USAOM/SA whether it can supply the items. All basic equipment is on order and should be here by the time the building is ready.

Dr. Butler made the first field trip to Wadi Khulais January 12-14, 1954. It was mainly a trial trip to test equipment and supplies and to get a broader view of Khulais in order to better evaluate the scope of work to be done.

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Education

On the whole the month has shown more optimistic trends and possibilities for real service and development than any previous month. Mr. Anderson, Vocational Education Specialist, has been well received and is making a substantial contribution to the improvement of industrial training.

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Natural Resources

From January 10 to 18, 1954 the Division established astral control, and geographic and geologic mapping of a 3,500 square mile area between Yenbo and Medina.

Geological investigations (primarily mineralogical) in the Dhalm area of central Saudi Arabia was carried on from January 11 to the end of the month.

Astral program computations continued.

Compilation of geologic data on mosaics of the proposed railroad from Riyadh to Jidda were carried out.

The drilling program was supervised by USAOM/SA, with one rig drilling at 230 feet.

Preparations were made for the departure of a field party to investigate bauxite deposits in the Asir, southern Saudi Arabia.

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b. Local Participation

Health and Sanitation

In a conference with Dr. Shuman on January 16, 1954, he stated his desire to be Dr. Butler's official counterpart so that he would know of all progress made. However, he did assign a man to work with Dr. Butler, one who has had previous training in malaria. Dr. Shuman also requested that he himself accompany Dr. Butler on a full day's trip to Wadi Khulais to obtain an idea of the needs and possibilities of the program. The trip, made on January 18, accomplished the following:

1. He had confused FOA with FAO and the difference was explained.

2. His misconception that USAOM/SA was a give-away program was corrected.

3. He did not have a copy of the Rural Development Program which was furnished.

4. He suggested the Health Library Project, which is now ready for submission to Dr. Shuman and the Ministry of Health.

5. Full cooperation was given by Dr. Shuman.

On January 23, 1954, Dr. Shuman informed Dr. Butler that he had received a written order from Prince Abdullah El Faisal (Minister) for:

1. A counterpart to work at Khulais with Dr. Butler.

2. An orderly or male nurse to distribute necessary medicines.

3. Two servants to be hired at Khulais.

4. Medicines.

5. Three tents, chairs, beds, cooking equipment.

This was followed by the furnishing (Saudis) of glycerine, alcohol and formaldehyde which could not be obtained by USAOM/SA in the local market. The equipment was sent to Khulais at month's end.

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c. Training

Education

With stenographic aid some eight training grant applications have been filed with FOA/W.

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SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture

Work plans for community development in Wadi Khulais have been prepared.

Mr. R. B. Thraillkill of the USAOM Regional Locust Office arrived at the end of the month. His objective is to obtain the adherence of the Saudi Arabian Government to a Locust Control Agreement. It is contemplated that calls will be made on the FAO headquarters, the Desert Locust Control Center (British) and, of course, the Minister of Agriculture.

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Education

A teacher training project is being drawn for the nationwide school program.

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Natural Resources

Dr. Brown and the Program Officer worked on a draft agreement for a Meteorologic and Hydrologic Project which is contemplated under FY/54 funds.

A considerable amount of work was also devoted to the drafting of a project agreement for a water development program which calls for U. S. expenditure of $2,000,000 under Special Economic Aid.

A Contract was signed with Mibaker, Inc. for a small well drilling program.

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Transportation and Communications

Mr. Sinclair, Chief of the Division, held discussions with officials preliminary to drafting the Visual Omni Range Project.

A draft of the Jizan harbor improvement project was prepared. This is under the Special Economic Aid authorization for FY/54.

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SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS

a. (Nothing to report)

b. Agreements Under Current Negotiation

Agriculture

All FY/1954 project agreements as well as a revised Agriculture Program Agreement have been written and translated. The draft agreement for Project No. 1, Livestock Improvement, has been submitted to the Ministry for review, discussion and agreement.

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Education

Six conferences have been held with the Minister of Education.

The Dammam Railroad Training Project has been finalized and the agreement will be ratified shortly with the Ministry of Communications.

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c. Implementation of Agreements

Agriculture

Project agreements for FY/1954 may not be signed by the new Minister of Agriculture until he receives approval of the Ministry budget in March. However, in the preparation of the budget, which was done by the Division at Saudi request, the cost of the agriculture program was included.

The Director General of the former Department of Agriculture may play an important role in the new Ministry. It will be necessary for him to reverse his actions of the past if he is not to be a stumbling block.

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d. Requests

Agriculture

Early in January the Department of Agriculture, which was located in the Ministry of Finance, was officially elevated to a Ministry of Agriculture. The King's brother, Prince Sultan Bin Abdul-Aziz, was appointed Minister. Five meetings have been held

with the Minister. At his request, the Chief, Division of Agriculture, USAOM/SA, has submitted a complete organization chart for the new Ministry, which appears to be appropriate for the present and the next several years. It was also requested that personnel appropriate for all positions of much consequence be submitted, giving minimum training and experience for each. This has been done.

Upon further request by the Minister, assistance has been rendered in the construction of the next fiscal budget. In fact, a complete budget framework was presented for the immediate future and from a long-time standpoint. Copies of the Organization Chart and suggested personnel for the Ministry of Agriculture are being transmitted to FAS of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

A third request from the Ministry asks for preparation of a Five-Year Plan for Agriculture in Saudi Arabia.

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Education

A personnel organization of the new Ministry was made, at the Minister's request, and given to the Minister. He adopted the plan.

A graphic representation of the organization of the Ministry has been prepared, on the Ministry's request. Duty and responsibility position specifications are being drawn and will be presented graphically and in writing.

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Natural Resources

On January 30, 1954 a field party of USAOM technicians departed from Jidda by cars to make a survey of the old Medina to Ma'an railroad. This was at the request of SAG. The survey will take about two weeks.

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Transportation and Communications

The Chief of the Division, Mr. Sinclair, left Jidda on January 30, 1954 along with technicians of the Natural Resources Division, on a survey of the Medina-Ma'an railroad. This was requested by the Saudi Arabian Government.

Press reports indicate that an agreement has been reached between Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia to reopen the line. Study of a scheme to establish telephone communications between Medina and Amman via Ma'an are underway, it is reported.

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SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

a. (Nothing to report)

b. (Nothing to report)

c. Host Government

Education

A Ministry of Education was created in Saudi Arabia with His Royal Highness Prince Fahad named the Minister.

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d. (Nothing to report)

SECTION VI. F. A. O. MISSION IN SAUDI ARABIA

The personnel of this group has been reduced during the last three months. It now has five persons in Saudi Arabia. They are:

Dr. V. A. Lateef (American) - Extension Specialist and Acting Chief.
A. Arar - Agricultural Engineer.
D. Astafieff - Surveyor.
W. Zammit - Clerk-Interpreter.

Dr. El Kilani (Egyptian) is expected soon. He will act as consultant on locust control problems and may be the new Chief of F.A. O. Mr. Johnson, former Chief, left in December for consultations in Rome and it is not expected that he will return.

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World Health Organization

There are now six or seven people in Saudi Arabia with WHO. They are about equally divided between the Anti-Malaria operations and the Venereal Disease Program. The former is expected to close down some time in March.

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SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

a. Local Administration

Agriculture

Another technician has been lost from the staff and it will require months for FOA/W to make a replacement.

Much valuable time is lost due to the slow servicing of vehicles under our agreement with SAG and the procurement of miscellaneous items necessary for field operations, due to difficulties in locating locally procurable items.

Another problem is raised by the fact that secretarial service is insufficient to supply the needs of the Division of Agriculture.

Finally, field housing for technicians at Wadi Khulais and the Hofuf Oasis presents a problem.

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Health and Sanitation

Mr. Skrinde, Sanitary Engineer, now on the Quarantine Project, has requested a more active assignment to Wadi Khulais. There he could employ his civil engineering knowledge to good advantage to the program. It is planned to have him work there laying out contours and other survey work.

The Health Division appreciates the energy expended in obtaining equipment and supplies under existing local conditions. The entire administrative staff has worked as a team in assisting the Division.

Lack of a Chief has handicapped the Health Division. In an attempt to carry on with some coordination the present staff meets to discuss problems. This will help to keep current projects moving along, but will not adequately serve the overall program development side of the work, nor will it add to our prestige with the Ministry of Health.

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Harland J. Corson
Director
USA Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Mission Purchase of Furniture

REFERENCE - (Check one before each address)

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	X	WASHINGTON TOUSPO A-78

1. Upon receiving notice of the termination of his tour of duty with USAOM/SA, Mr. C. Verne Stewart offered to sell to USAOM/SA certain furniture and household items needed by this Mission.

2. A committee was appointed by the Director to inspect and appraise the Stewart furniture. This committee consisted of Dr. Robert D. Dolley, Chief of the Education Division USAOM/SA, Mr. George A. Robinson, Acting General Service Officer, American Embassy, Jidda, Sayed Sami Kutbi, prominent Jidda merchant and official in the Ministry of Finance. Each of the above named individuals appraised the furniture in question at a higher figure than the amount asked by Mr. Stewart.

3. The Director approved the purchase of the furniture at the offered price of $1,065.00.

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Enclosures:
1. Robert D. Dolley's letter to Director USAOM/SA dated Jan. 28, 1954
2. George A. Robinson's memo to Director USAOM/SA dated Feb. 3, 1954
3. Statement of Sayed Sami Kutbi (will be forwarded later)
4. Memorandum from C. Verne Stewart dated Feb. 3, 1954

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Harland J. Corson, Country Director, USAOM

FROM: George A. Robinson, Acting General Services Officer, Embassy
/s/ Gar

SUBJECT: Estimate on Household Furnishings - C. Verne Stewart

DATE: February 3, 1954

After having appraised the household furnishings offered for sale by C. Verne Stewart, I recommend an approximate purchase price of $1,100.00 I have come to this figure by obtaining the cost of new furniture of the same type, the cost of shipment from the States and the cost of shipment to the States of Mr. Stewart's furniture, minus depreciation through use. It is my opinion that USAOM may realize a profit from the purchase of Mr. Stewart's furniture at the price of $1,100.00

GARobinson/hrm
/s/

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USA OPERATIONS MISSION TO SAUDI ARABIA
Jidda

February 3, 1954

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Harland J. Corson
Director

FROM: C. Verne Stewart /s/
Extension Specialist

SUBJECT: Furniture

I wish to offer the USAOM the following furniture and household items owned by me. If purchased, it is understood they are to be used for furnishing quarters rented by USAOM for its personnel. The list and the prices asked per item are as follows:

Mirror	$ 10.00
Living room suite (divan & chair)	150.00
Dining set (table & 4 chairs)	100.00
Corner table	35.00
Coffee table	30.00
Drum table	30.00
2 occasional chairs	100.00
Set book shelves	60.00
Floor lamp, large	15.00
Floor lamp, small	10.00
2 Table lamps	30.00
Bedroom suite	150.00
Twin beds	50.00
Child's wardrobe	15.00
Breakfast set	75.00
Steel cabinet	40.00
Drapes and curtains	50.00
Shower curtains & bathroom fixtures	15.00
8 Chenille scatter rugs	35.00
1 new Double bedspread	5.00
2 Twin spreads	8.00
4 Pillows	6.00
8 Double sheets	20.00
8 Twin sheets	16.00
5 pair Pillow Cases	10.00
TOTAL	$1,065.00

/s/ C. Verne Stewart

I hereby certify that the articles or services in this invoice described were received as ordered and that this invoice is correct and proper for payment.
/s/ T. F. Taylor
Executive Officer

I approve the purchase of these items - all but the last four items to be left in Stewart's apartment for next occupant. Last four items for guest house - apt 10.
2/4/54 /s/ H. J. Corson

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SUBJECT - Requisition No. 470-255900-26-41098 (One Storage Building)

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1. The specifications inclosed in USPOTO A-59 are acceptable. Cladding should be galvanized sheet steel.

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - FORM DS-8 Clearance For Final Salary Payment

REFERENCE - USFOTO 257

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1. The attached Form DS-8 Clearance for Final Salary Payment, of John A. Dunaway.

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FROM . Jidda

SUBJECT . Transmittal of Completed SF-61

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1. Attached hereto is completed Standard Form No. 61 (Oath of Office, Affidavit, and Declaration of Appointee) for Carletta Joyce Combs

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Enclosure:
1. Standard Form No. 61, Carletta Joyce Combs

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Withholding Statements

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1. The Withholding Statements, Form W-2, 1953, for following employees, salary paid by FOA/W for the calendar year 1953 must be incorrect. Willis B. Hazelton and Thelbert F. Taylor were on TCA payroll for the full calendar year 1953.

2. Mr. Hazelton has received from the American Embassy Withholding Statement covering the period 9/27/1953-12/19/1953 total wages $2,160.35, income tax withheld $362.20.

3. Mr. Taylor has received from the American Embassy Withholding Statement covering the period 9/30/53-12/19/1953 total wages $2,160.95, income tax withheld $236.00.

4. Forms received from FOA/W show total wages Washington for Hazelton $1,913.73 income tax withheld $328.20. For Taylor wages $1,810.02 income tax withheld $161.40.

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Date Sent: June 13, 1954

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Missing Airgram

REFERENCE: TOUSFO A-83

Request that TOUSFO A-83 be blocked out.

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Authorizing Officer	Drafted By	Office	Date
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SUBJECT : Official Mission Post Report

REFERENCE : USFOTO CIRC N A 8
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The following information is submitted for the official Mission Post Report, using as a guide the Overseas Living Questionaire dated November 19, 1953:

1. Housing
   (a) Government furnished apartments and houses.
   (b) _____
   (c) Yes, refrigerator, water heater, cooking range, AC units by US Government, BAG houses on Baker Compound furnished with same.
   (d) One mile to 15 minutes walk.

2. Single Employee
   (a) Same as (a) above.
   (b) _____
   (c) Same as (c) above.
   (d) Automobile - governmental vehicle.

3. Education
   (a) Private grade school from kindergarden to 6th grade run solely by the parents of the children. All furniture and supplies furnished by parents. It is now being held in the basement of a private home.
   (b) $10.00 administrative fee - $25.00 tuition fee for first of a family and $20.00 for each additional child in same family.
   (c) Yes, school bus-government owned.
   (d) No, about $50.00 per year.

4. Practically all articles in this list.
   (a) Some can be purchased locally but the prices are much higher.

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5. Clothing - Men

(a) Sport shirts, white or colored, white duck or seersucker trousers, no ties for business, except when attending meetings with SAG or other officials, also business suit on these occasions, usually a palm beach.
(b) Washable and light.
(c) Yes, tuxedo, also tuxedo trousers and white tuxedo jacket, black tie, etc.
(d) Yes, especially in winter.
(e) Light shoes of any type, white, brown, etc., with thick rubber soles, also formal shoes.
(f) Yes, and no, depending upon the person.
(g) Yes, it rains about twice a year.

Clothing - Women

(a) A supply of from 24 - 36 cotton dresses. Suitable for work and leisure time. Light clothes for morning coffee and bridge.
(b) No suitable dressmakers available.
(c) Very few and the cost is very high. If you saw bring all needed materials. Everything expensive here.
(d) Yes, several formals either length. Washable materials recommended.
(e) Either. Light colors are most suitable.
(f) No.
(g) Walking conditions are poor, the soil sandy. Moderate or low heeled shoes are the most suitable, closed toes and heels are practical. The washable Keds type are very good for work hours. Should bring a supply of 10 - 12 pairs for all occasions.
(h) Yes, it rains once or twice a year.

Non-Working Wives

Same as above

General Information

(a) Mr. and Mrs. John Doe
(b) Yes
(c) 7
(d) 100

Automobiles

(a) Yes
(b) All kinds are used here.
(c) Not used here.
(d) Most foreign cars do not have license plates.
(e) Yes, as and when you get a license, most driving done without license.
(f) None.
(g) 16 girsh or about 20 cents per continental gallon.

Mail
(a) APO facilities
(b) 5 days to two weeks.

Food
(a) Yes, bring a large order over with you.
(b) No local milk supply - powdered milk and evaporated.
(c) No.

Drugs and Toiletries
(a) Bring all items - much higher purchased locally.
(b) Tooth paste, some usual run as Asperin, etc., all very high.

Recreational
(a) Facilities exist for swimming, tennis, hiking.
(b) ????
(c) Any place out of Jidda - Beirut, Cairo, Asuara, etc.
(d) No library - movies occasionally at Embassy, no local movie theatres. Bring reading material.

Social Life
(a) Only in the homes of other employees.

Pets
(a) No

Local Customs
(a) No alcolic beverages at all.
(b) Must have entry visa. Also exit visa.

Transportation
(a) Automobile and airplane - only way you can travel.
(b) 700 miles to Beirut, approximately same distance to Cairo.
About 300 miles to Asuara via air.
500 miles from Jidda to Riyadh.

Miscellaneous
(a) About 250.

Thelbert F. Taylor
Acting Director
USA Operations Mission
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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Air Pouch Transit Times

REFERENCE - USFOTO CIRC A-21

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The following is a record of the time and the date of receipt of all pouches received from FOA/W during the period January 15-February 15:

Unaccompanied Pouches

Pouch No.	Received Time	Received Date
U-52	4:00 P.M.	Jan. 23
53	4:00 P.M.	Jan. 23
54	11:30 A.M.	Jan. 30
55	11:30 A.M.	Jan. 30
56	12:00 Noon	Feb. 8
57	12:00 Noon	Feb. 8

Courier Pouches

Pouch No.	Received Time	Received Date
C-31	12:00 Noon	Jan. 27
32	12:00 Noon	Jan. 27
33	12:00 Noon	Jan. 27
34	12:45 A.M.	Jan. 28
35	12:45 A.M.	Jan. 28
36	10:30 A.M.	Feb. 4
37	12:45 A.M.	Feb. 11
38	12:45 A.M.	Feb. 11.

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Transmittal of Chest X-Ray

REFERENCE - (Check one before each address)

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1. Attached hereto is Chest X-Ray for Patricia D. Anderson.

TAYLOR, ACTING

Enclosure:

1. Chest X-Ray, Patricia Anderson

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SUBJECT · Mission Purchase of Furniture

REFERENCE · TOUSFO A-78

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1. The attached statement of Sayed Sami Kutbi, referred to as Enclosure 3 in our TOUSFO A-78, is forwarded herewith.

TAYLOR, Acting

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Encl: Statement of Sayed Sami Kutbi, sated February 25, 1954

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(English Translation of Original Arabic Text)

To: Technical Cooperation Administration, February 25, 1954
Jidda, Saudi Arabia.

I saw the furniture of Mr. Stewart's apartment, a member of Point IV, and I certify that the cost of the said furniture is $1800.00 c.i.f. Jeddah.

/s/ Sami Kutbi

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FROM : Jidda

SUBJECT : Budget, Fiscal and Accounting Responsibilities of FOA Mission and Embassy

REFERENCE : Joint State-FOA Instruction A-138, November 25, 1953

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1. This Mission has been requested through USFOTO 248 of February 11,1954 to submit its comments regarding referenced Instruction.

2. Beginning with transactions financed from FY 1954 appropriations, the Controller's Office of this Mission has performed virtually all budget, fiscal and accounting functions listed under "Services to be Performed by Controller's Office" in Section 3 of the Instruction. The chief exceptions have been the services specified under sub-sections b(1) and d(1) for the following reasons:

   b(1). There is no staff member at this FOA Mission authorized to certify vouchers.

   d(1). There has been no occasion at this Post for this type of service.

3. We are wholeheartedly in agreement with the Instruction and would have been even more so had it included as part of the Controller's responsibilities all services mentioned in sub-section b(1) under "Services to be Performed by Embassy". Such inclusion will centralize the preparation, auditing and certification of a l l vouchers in one office, will clearly fix responsibility for this important service and will expedite matters quite considerably. A collateral effect will be a decrease in the reimbursable support amount due to the fact that the function of the Embassy in its relation to the Mission will have been reduced to mere payrolling and disbursing.

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4. In compliance with your request that specific mention be made of any physical inconvenience which may result from the implementation of the Instruction, we may state that we can perceive of no other difficulty in this respect than an accentuation of the condition of a constantly overworked controller's staff, which is likely to reach proportions where it will be physically impossible for the present personnel

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comprised of the controller and two local employees to perform the services expected and maintain control over budget and finances.

5. Your attention is invited to the following two sub-sections which may require some clarification before issuing subject Instruction in final form:

b(1). The expression "administrative only" appears in several places. Ordinarily, expenses described as administrative are understood to refer to expenditures from administrative funds. We believe that no such limitation is intended here and that the term "administrative only" covers expenditures from administrative funds as well as from program funds provided the latter are of an administrative nature.

d(1). A precise and more detailed description of the responsibilities of the Controller's Office in this connection and the services expected of it will be most helpful, especially in view of the restriction imposed in the last sentence on page 1 of the Instruction to the effect that the funds in question are not under the sole control of the U.S. Government and therefore shall not be handled by the administrative organizations of either the Embassy or the FOA Mission.

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SUBJECT - Distribution of Travel Orders

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SUBJECT · Private Investment

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Fields of industry which might offer possibilities American capital are fertiliser, cement, fish, date packing and power plants.

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Since Aramco performing malaria control also sanitation work Eastern areas, we have no need for Najjar.

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FOA MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - February 1954

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

During the month under review there was very little activity due to the fact that the meeting of the Council of Ministers formerly scheduled for the second week in February was postponed until the second week in March. At this meeting the Saudi FY 54 budgets are to be discussed and approved as well as the TA program and project agreements which have been prepared and discussed with the respective Ministries.

The Special Economic Aid Agreement was prepared and handed to the Minister of Finance who will present it to the forthcoming meeting of the Council of Ministers for ratification. The project agreements under FY 54 Special Economic Aid are practically ready for presentation to the respective Ministries for their consideration and approval.

The personnel situation of this Mission still remains far from adequate, even though approximately two-thirds of the FY 54 has passed. It is feared that, unless this Mission is properly staffed soon, long hours and pressure of work will cause some "crack ups" with the approach of the hot weather.

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Program

Agriculture

Agriculture Division activities continued at an increased pace during most of the month, but slowed down during the last ten days. The new Ministry of Agriculture is now concerned with its proposed budget. A five-year plan for agriculture has been drawn up and presented to the Minister, as well as a budget for the first year.

Verbal approval of the work plan for Khulais has been given by the Minister. Work will get underway when written approval has been given. The 1954 projects have been discussed and differences reviewed.

Mr. Gibbs, in cooperation with Mr. Barham, has made a brief soil study of the Hofuf, Qatif and Dammam areas. This study pointed out the need for (1) irrigation water management, (2) addition of organic matter, (3) stabilization of water flow, (4) separation of crops with different moisture requirements, (5) drainage, and (6) crop rotation. In Qatif some farmers are applying 23 acre-feet of water a year. The study also showed the need for sand and dune stabilization and wind breaks.

Messrs. Barker, Mountree and Gibbs have selected a plot on which to establish a maize crop experiment farm. In addition, plans have been made for distributing baby chicks if the purchase of chicks and feed can be arranged.

Mr. Sduan and his counterpart made an interior trip to locate a suitable area for selecting a 40-acre plot of land for experimental work in range management. The present '54 plan is to have plots in the Khulais, Taif and Riyadh areas.

FY 54 projects have been discussed with the Ministry and agreement reached on all essential points. However, it is doubted whether these agreements will be signed by the Minister before his budget is approved by the Kingdom Council of Ministers next month. Numerous conferences were held this month with the Minister and his staff. It is believed that progress is being made and that concrete results will appear when the Ministry learns what its budget will be for the next fiscal year.

Problems facing the Division include the following:

1. Obtaining approval for the Khulais work plan.

2. Appropriate and qualified SAG counterparts.

3. Supplies, equipment and materials cannot be ordered until the 1954 project agreements are signed. This leaves little time for action.

Health and Sanitation

The base camp for the Division was established in Wadi Khulais and the malaria survey started. During February, 92 blood films were taken. This is a large number considering the fact that this is the first time anyone had been in the area and the people are generally suspicious.

Spot checks for mosquito larvae were made in 12 places. Three species of Anopheles mosquito larvae were found of which Anopheles d'thali was most common, Anopheles sergenti next, and a few Anopheles caudea.

The blood films are being read and so far two species of malaria parasites have been found, Plasmodium vivax and P. falciparum. A preliminary report will be submitted to the Ministry of Health as soon as the blood readings are completed.

On the Quarantine Station Project, the Ministry of Health has finally agreed to proceed with the work required prior to the installation of the autoclaves, etc. A request has been sent to FOA/W to forward the disinfecting equipment for the Quarantine Station.

The Sanitary Engineer made three trips to Wadi Khulais and conducted an inspection of the household wells. It was found that a well improvement program is badly needed. Discussions are underway with the Ministry of Health on this program.

No new progress can be reported this month on the Maternal and Child Health Center. A number of buildings were inspected by our Public Health Nurse at the request of the Ministry of Health, and those found to be suitable were reported to the Ministry. However, they have taken no action as yet to secure a building for the Center.

An over-all work plan for the Division under the Rural Community Development Project in the Wadi Khulais area is being prepared for submission to the Ministry of Health.

Education

Following suggestions made by Mr. Anderson, Vocational Education Specialist, the Jidda Industrial School has rearranged its shops. Recommendations were also made with respect to safety factors in the school. The Director of the school and instructors have evidenced a desire to install guards for certain machines as well as racks for supplies. "Operation Tin Can" has proved highly successful with many USAOM/SA personnel giving discarded tin cans for the school's Sheet Metal Shop.

Tentative sketches of floor plans for a proposed new industrial school plant were prepared by Mr. Anderson. Mr. Janjom, Director of the Industrial School, has presented his plans for the new school, together with a budget, to Prince Fahed, Minister of Education. It calls for expansion of the Industrial School as well as the establishment of industrial schools in Riyadh, Medina and the Asir.

Internal Resources

During the month the drilling contractor completed two wells on the south side of Wadi Khulais. One well found salt water in sands of Eocene age thereby precluding the Eocene sandstone as an aquifier except under very special geologic conditions. The other well is in fresh water and the driller reports that he was unable to lower the water level below 45 feet beneath the surface of the land with his bailer. The gravel extended down to a depth of 85 feet and the water level stands at 20 feet, giving 65 feet of fresh-water saturated gravel suitable for drinking or irrigation purposes.

Calculation for the astronomical positions to prepare photo maps of the Yanbo block were completed during the month. Some map compilation on the Lith-Qunfida blocs were also finished.

Geologic field work to assist Mr. Dan Shafner, Mining Adviser to CAG, in the vicinity of Dhahran continued during February. Field work began on sampling of the laterite deposits in the Asir region.

A trip for the Ministry of Communications was completed in February. Reconnaissance in company with engineers of the Ministry was made from Medina northward along the abandoned Hejaz railroad to determine feasibility of rehabilitation. Geologic and water supply conditions were observed and samples of water were collected for chemical analysis. A brief report was prepared for the joint committee.

The drilling contract expired at the end of February and all rigs were at Riyadh and in the drilling compound at Jidda except for two rigs, a Joy 150 rotary and a Star 72 spudder, which were at Khulais and near Sabya in the southern Tihama.

On the last day of February it was decided to continue the drilling contract for 30 days to finish the production well at Khulais (which was down to 20 feet) and also to test two wells at Ithad and try to complete a production well at Ithad during March.

Transportation and Communications

The first half of the month was spent on an inspection trip of the old Hejaz railroad from Medina to Ma'an, Jordan, and thence on to Amman, Jordan and Damascus, Syria, where two days were spent on writing a report. This report was transmitted to the Chairman of the Joint Committee for the Rehabilitation of the Hejaz Railroad. On the committee were two members each from Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia. The inspection team included engineers of the Saudi Arabian and Syrian Governments in addition to the USAOM complement of technicians composed of the Chiefs of the Transportation and Natural Resources Divisions.

b. Local Participation (Nothing to report)

c. Training

Education

Mr. Ghalib Tawfik, formerly Director of Police in Jidda, returned in February from his study in the United States under a leadership grant in police work. Upon his return he was immediately appointed Deputy of the Director General of the Security Department with headquarters in Mecca.

Five candidates for aircraft instruction have been chosen this month. It is anticipated that they will be ready to leave in March for the United States.

SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Education

A conference was held with H.R.H. Prince Faheed, Minister of Education, at which were present Mr. Carson, Director USAOM/SA, the Division Chief, and members of the Committee of the Commercial School in Jidda. Progress of the school since its establishment over a year ago was discussed. The Prince was agreeably surprised at the progress made, especially in the organization of the classes and the curriculum. He declared that the Committee should consider him as its representative to SAC and promised to do all possible to have the project agreement favorably considered at the forthcoming meeting of the Council of Ministers.

Transportation and Communications

Mr. Sinclair, Division Chief, spent three days in Beirut, Lebanon, where he held discussions regarding the installation of the Visual Omni Range air navigation facility. He also arranged for Mr. K. Albright, Civil Aviation Administration engineer, to study the location for this facility.

SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS

a. (Nothing to report)

b. (Nothing to report)

c. (Nothing to report)

d. Requests

Health and Sanitation

Dr. Steuben, Chief of the Department of Preventive Medicine, Ministry of Health, requested a short preliminary report to show the need of a building and facilities in Jidda for doing necessary laboratory work. Up to the present time Dr. Butler, Malariologist, has been conducting these duties in his home, using his own equipment.

SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

Agriculture

The date study report by Mr. Nixon has been typed and is ready for critical evaluation. A brief summary of findings may be included in next month's report.

U.S. Assistance

Education

The U.S.I.S. films have been received from the U.S. Embassy. Several of the films (Arabic versions) were shown to Arabs, most of them were educators and professional people. They were well received.

Work on instructional materials has been delayed pending employment of an interpreter and translator.

The Mobile Visual Aids truck is now under construction at the Industrial School, Auto Mechanics Shop.

SECTION VI. TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS OTHER THAN POINT IV.

Agriculture

For the past several weeks the Regional Deputy Director of FAO has been serving as head of the FAO Mission to Saudi Arabia. This gentleman is a former Minister of Agriculture for Egypt and it is rather apparent that he is advising the SAG concerning the feasibility of our proposed work at Khulais. The Division Chief USAOM/SA understands that the above official has advised against a plot of crown land selected at Khulais for testing seeds, though our soils scientist and agronomist have approved the suitability of the land and a 300 GPM exploratory water well is located in its midst. It is the opinion of the Division Chief that the Rome FAO office would not approve this official lending himself to this situation, though his intentions may be the best.

SECTION VII. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Health and Sanitation

Dr. Lewis C. Robbins, FDA/W, visited the Division from January 30 to February 3, 1954. The FY 54 program of the Health and Sanitation Division was reviewed with him.

Education

Dr. Robert Dalley, Chief of the Division, departed on February 20, 1954 to attend a conference at AUB in Beirut on Regional Training Programs.

Harland J. Carson
Director
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SUBJECT · Clarification of specifications - 470-3106R

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1. Re information requested on Requisition 470-3106R:

Item 4: Quantity desired - 120 50 M.L. Beakers

Item 5: Size desired - 30 M.L.

Item 23: Nomenclature - Calcium Sulphate (Not sulphite)
Gypsum - same as used by dentists.

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1. S.F. 1150 Record of Leave Data requested for Mr. Harland J. Corson and Mr. Willis Hazelton.

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FROM - Jidda, Saudi Arabia

SUBJECT - Representation Allowances

REFERENCE - USFOTO CIRCULAR A-33 dated February 13, 1954

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The following are my views and comments on subject matter, presented in the order of and in reply to the points raised in the above referenced Circular:

1. I concur in the advisability of consolidating the representation allowance limitation for administrative and program purposes with discretion left to the Country Director for breaking down and internally controlling the distribution and use of such funds. I further believe that only program funds should be allotted for representation allowances, for both program and administrative personnel, as there seems little, if any, reason for representation for purely administrative purposes. Administration, although a necessary and important adjunct, is nevertheless merely a function incidental to the program.

2. It is my opinion that no restrictions should be imposed on the Country Director in authorizing the use of the representation allowance limitation for other members of the staff. To insure judicious and effective utilization, it appears that the distribution should be left entirely to the discretion of the Country Director to permit him to make such sub-allotments as he deems appropriate at the time and in the light of then existing conditions.

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	Administrative	Program
3. Mission's total representation allowance funding requirements for entire FY 1954	$ 2,800	none
Obligations through January 31, 1954	$ 500	none
	USOM	Embassy
4. Total representation allowance requirements for entire FY 1954	$ 2,800	$ 3,770

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Embassy representation consists mainly of the observance of courtesies and amenities which are both unavoidable and customary or traditional in the Foreign Service in general and at the Post in particular. USOM representation, on the other hand, serves to assist the Country Director and officers of his staff in accomplishing their jobs in the most effective manner possible. The value of personal contact in the Near East and especially in Saudi Arabia cannot be overemphasized.

5. Since this Mission has had relatively little experience with representation allowance, it is difficult to make comparisons between existing regulations and those hereinabove discussed, beyond expressing the belief that the proposed changes will be a definite contribution toward greater efficiency.

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SUBJECT · Payroll Savings Campaign

REFERENCE · USFOTO Airgram A-75

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Payroll Savings Campaign Report - negative.

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SUBJECT - Receiving Report, Purchase Order A-470-221-3R (Industrial Instruments, Cedar Grove, N. J.)

REFERENCE - FOA/W Letter dated 2/18/54
AUD:VEB:WEB:DG

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1. Attached are the copies of the two invoices from Industrial Instruments, receipted as requested in the letter of February 18, 1954 from FOA/W.

2. The postage charges resulted from the fact that the conductivity cell was not available when Mr. George P. Gibbs went to pick up the equipment. Consequently, it had to be air freighted to Saudi Arabia.

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Invoice No. 50264 dtd 10/1/53
" " 51591 dtd 12/8/53

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SUBJECT · Foreign Service Requisitioning Guide

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Urgently need complete, up-to-date Foreign Service Requisitioning Guide in duplicate. Send attention Mr. T. F. Tayler, Executive Officer.

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FROM · Jidda, Saudi Arabia

SUBJECT · Research Contracts

REFERENCE · USFOTO CIRCULAR A-36 dated February 25, 1954

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As requested in the above referenced Circular, the following data has been abstracted from the two contracts negotiated by this Mission since its inception, dealing with research.

(a) Railroad Survey from Riyadh to Jidda

1. International Engineering Company, Inc.
   74 New Montgomery Street
   San Francisco, California.

2. December 4, 1952.

3. December 4, 1953.

4. A full report of the survey has been prepared and submitted by the contractor.

5. Not to exceed $ 330,000.

6. Railroad survey from Riyadh to Jidda to be performed with the degree of accuracy necessary for letting of construction contracts and the securing of financing for the subsequent railroad construction, including preparation of maps and profiles.

(b) Aerial Survey of specified 20,000 square miles of Saudi Arabia

1. Aero Service Corporation
   236 East Courtland Street
   Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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2. May 14, 1953

3. December 31, 1953

4. It is believed that a full report of the survey has been prepared and submitted by contractor to FOA/W.

5. $ 114,429.

6. Aerial survey to be performed by means of aerial photography of specified areas of Saudi Arabia, containing approximately 20,000 square miles, including construction of mosaics of the areas.

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SUBJECT · PA 470-4001

REFERENCE · USFOTO A-79

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Attached approved prints E11586, S-6865-0 and S-6866-0. Size and location of all required openings have been indicated on the prints.

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FROM · Jidda, SaudiArabia

SUBJECT · FOA General Notice No. 54-3 dated Feb. 8, 1954

REFERENCE · Office Procedures Handbook

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The Mission requires six copies of the Office Procedures Handbook referred to in FOA General Notice No. 54-3:

No. of Copies Required for Clerical and Stenographic Employees	No. of Manuals Now Received	Office	Name and Title of Officer Receiving FOA/W or FOA-General Manual Orders
6	4	Director	Harland J. Corson
		Executive Officer	Thelbert F. Taylor
		Controller	John Bode
		Files	Mrs. Ethel R. Moser

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SUBJECT · Mission Requirements - FOA Forms

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1. USAOM/Saudi Arabia urgently needs the following forms:

500 Requisition Forms (TCA-4 or currently used form)

1,000 Airgram Forms (FOA 51A w/o Hecto)

1,000 Airgram Continuation (FOA 51.1A)

200 Airpar (FOA-6)

200 Airpar Continuation (FOA 6.1)

1,000 Purchase Request (TCA-3 or currently used form).

2. If an obligation number is required, please advise us the total amount of the cost.

3. It is requested that 25% of each of the above mentioned forms be sent by air.

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FROM · Jidda

SUBJECT · Missing Airgrams

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For Cable & Airgram Section.

1. The following is the information requested by you regarding certain missing airgrams:

TOUSFO A-29 -- Cancelled. Show blank.

TOUSFO A-69 -- re Robert B. Kennedy leave card transferred to Baghdad.*

TOUSFO A-70 -- re request 3 copies of instructions for numbering requisitions.* (Note: This was answered by FOA/W by USFOTO A-88.)

TOUSFO A-76 -- Cancelled. Show blank.

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* No extra copies available here.
Please check with the office of Mr. Paul F. Taggart, Chief, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Syria Division, Near East, South Asia & Africa Operations, FOA/W.

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FROM · Jidda, Saudi Arabia

SUBJECT · PA 470-017900-4-4105R

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SUBJECT · American Red Cross Fund Campaign

REFERENCE · USFOTO 282

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For Mr. A. H. Lunt
326 Rochambeau Building
Foreign Operations Administration

Enclosed herewith are four checks representing contributions made by Mission staff members to the American Red Cross Fund Campaign.

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Contributions of Edward F. Sinclair
Mrs. Ethel R. Moser
Willis B. Hazleton
H. E. Schwan

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Excess Government Property

REFERENCE - USFOTO A-95

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This Mission questions the advisability of importing used equipment due to the adverse climatic conditions in Saudi Arabia.

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SUBJECT · Medical Clearances

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1. Transmitted herewith are completed medical history statements (Standard Form 89) for the following:

   Mrs Carlotta Joyce Combs
   Mrs Bobbie Lee Scudder
   Mrs Mavis King Everett.

2. The Standard Form 89 for Mrs Gibbs will be transmitted at a later date.

3. Part time schedule duty established for Mrs Combs will be submitted by the Executive Officer upon his return from Beirut.

Inclosures:
Three Standard Form 89 statements for
Combs
Scudder
Everett

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Attached hereto is the Oath of Office (SF-61), dated April 3, 1954, for Billie Hal Mountree.

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1. Attached hereto is copy of medical report submitted by Frank A. Carroll, M.D., Alexandria, Virginia, in reference to Mrs Edward F. Sinclair.

2. If necessary, FOA/W is authorized to contact Dr. Carroll to varify the medical report on Mrs Sinclair.

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1. Currently, the Mission is using old Technical Cooperation Administration stationery with the letterhead struck out and "USA OPERATIONS MISSION TO SAUDI ARABIA" typed below.

2. The new letterheads were ordered in Beirut and are believed to have arrived in the Port of Jidda. Due to the difficulty and delays in clearing goods through Saudi customs, we cannot verify if the shipment in the Port contains the letterheads requested.

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American Embassy - Jidda

April 6, 1954

Mr. Paul F. Taggart
Chief, Iraq-Saudi Arabia-Lebanon-Syria Division
Near East, South Asia and Africa Operations
Foreign Operations Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Taggart:

In Mr. Corson's momentary absence from the office, in order to get this in today's pouch, I am enclosing a copy of the Monthly Program Summary for March. The original is going forward in the same pouch to the Cable and Airgram Section of FOA/W.

Sincerely yours,

Blanche L. Oakes
Secretary to Mr. Corson

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MONTHLY PROGRAM SUMMARY - MARCH 1954

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

The month of March was one of considerable activity, not for this Mission but for the Council of Ministers meeting in Riyadh where, among other things, development projects and covering agreements are being discussed and approved as part of the Saudi Government's 1954 fiscal year budgets. The special economic aid agreement has been discussed and in fact was still under discussion at the end of the month under review. USOM/SA expects to receive word shortly of its approval. In the meantime, the activities of this Mission are virtually at a standstill.

Under separate cover a copy of the King's speech, delivered at the opening session of the Council of Ministers' meeting, has been sent to FOA/W. In his speech the King, after discussing current political problems, policy matters, etc., stated that three budgets would be drawn up, approved and made effective, namely:

(1) Operating expenses of Government offices;
(2) Development and construction projects;
(3) Reserves and contingencies.

As part of the development and construction projects budget, the King specifically mentioned water development, public health, education, agriculture and communications. These are the principal fields of activity under which USAOM/SAG programs and projects fall. It is hoped that the SAG 1954 budgets, also development programs and project agreements will be approved by the middle of April.

It is reported that the Council of Ministers before opening discussions on budget matters approved a "modus operandi" for the Council of Ministers; that they approved a wage and salary scale for Government employees, and that they also appointed Sayed Mohammed Alireza as Minister of Commerce (another new Ministry).

The Director, Chief of Transportation Division, and Chief of the Agriculture Division, accompanied by four technicians, made an overland trip from Jidda to Gizan, near the Yemen border, for the purpose of studying possible routes for the proposed Jidda-Gizan road, for studying several proposed agricultural projects in the north and south Tihama areas, for formulating work plans covering the Ituad Community Development project, for observing sanitary conditions in towns and villages along the route, and for looking over the requirements for port improvements at Gizan. A complete report, including photographs, will be sent to FOA/W. The trip, although rugged, was most enlightening.

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

The month of March was rather quiet due to the presence in Riyadh of the Minister of Agriculture and all of his principal aides, to plan government and Ministry organization and budgets for the next fiscal year. There appears no opportunity to get project agreements for the current fiscal year signed until the Riyadh meeting is ended. Several weeks more may be required. The Khulais work plan has not received final approval by the Minister.

Efforts have been made to do certain types of extension work anticipating approval of projects. Seeds have been distributed in Wadis Khulais and Fatima and in the Hofuf area. Range revegetation test plantings have been made at Kilo 10 horticulture experiment station. The third range management plot has been selected. Efforts have continued to locate appropriate feed supplements for poultry and livestock. With no facilities to receive baby chicks, it is doubtful whether it will be feasible to distribute some of these this spring.

During March preliminary work has been pursued which will be of benefit to implementing projects:

1. Investigations have been made by Mr. Parker relative to sources of animal protein for livestock feeds. A trip was made to Cairo in this connection and to view the poultry and livestock programs there. Egypt imports its animal protein from Denmark. The original plan was to import and distribute about 6,000 chicks, but with the delay in constructing livestock buildings, and consequently no place to care for the chicks for a short period of time, this phase of the proposed livestock project may have to be abandoned.

2. During this month Mr. Bourtree, Agronomist, has spent considerable time in Wadi Khulais relative to establishing a crop experimental farm when the Khulais work plan is approved by the Minister of Agriculture. The greatest interest on the part of farmers is in insecticides, improved seeds and the use of fertilizer. Several months ago it was planned to have the experimental seed plots seeded this spring, but without agreement by the Ministry no plot of land is available. However, some tomato, sweet pepper, watermelon, cantaloupe and cucumber seeds have been distributed to about ten farmers who were willing to cooperate on a testing basis. A small amount of fertilizer was given to each farmer. Also, a field demonstration was conducted with the above farmers to show how to apply the fertilizer. One outstanding and progressive farmer has offered land for trial plantings.

Similar work has been conducted in Wadi Fatima and Mr. Barham is in the process of similar seedings in the Al Hasa area.

A trip was made by Mr. Salman and his counterpart to Riyadh to study range conditions and to select a suitable range management test plot. During the first part of March test plots at Kilo 16 station were seeded. Fifty-one species were planted and arrangements made for irrigation.

A trip was made from Jidda to Gizan, March 11-23, 1954, by the Director, Program Officer and his assistant, a representative of the Health Division, Chief of Transportation, a Soil Scientist, and Chief of the Agriculture Division. The purpose of this trip was to observe road conditions between Jidda, El Darb and Gizan, agricultural conditions and opportunities, and health situations. The occasion was profitable to all in that it gave first-hand information pertaining to Point 4 objectives.

Mr. George Gibbs, Soils Scientist, and his counterpart remained at El Darb to study soil conditions, irrigation problems, and agricultural conditions in general.

Health and Sanitation

Malaria Control

The preliminary report on observations made at Wadi Khulais during January and February was forwarded to the Ministry of Health. At the same time a proposed plan for general health work for Wadi Khulais was sent to the Ministry of Health for their approval. Dr. Shuman, Director of Preventive Medicine, approved the plan and forwarded it and the Malaria report to the Minister of Health.

The examination of the blood films taken from 91 persons during the survey show an incidence of malaria of 29%. In the 0 - 15 year age group, who do not leave the area, 46% had malaria. This corresponds closely with an earlier spot check made in July 1953, which showed that 50% of this age group had malaria.

Mosquito larvae collection stations established in the Wadi during the previous two months were revisited during March and checked for larvae.

Sanitation

A field trip was made to the Asir-Tihama area in southwest Saudi Arabia from March 11 - 25 inclusive. The purpose of this trip was to make a limited survey of the area in relation to the possible development of a Community program for this area.

On March 12 the Saudi Government issued an order to the Government Engineering and Construction Company (GOTSUCO) to make the necessary alterations and additions to the Quarantine Station to complete it for use. Progress to date has been limited to making a number of holes for windows for light and ventilation for the disinfecting building.

Dr. A. H. Sadek, WHO Quarantine Advisor, has arrived in Jidda and will be here until December 1954. He seems very well informed on the status of the new station and feels that in view of the amount of work still to be completed and the limited time left before this year's pilgrimage, it will be very unlikely that the station can operate as a Quarantine Station in 1954.

According to newspaper reports, the King has allocated 850,000 Saudi Riyals to complete the work on the Quarantine Station.

Maternal and Child Health

March 23 was a milestone in the progress of the Maternal and Child Health program, as on this date the keys to the building were turned over to the Director of Preventive Medicine of the Ministry of Health. They are now cleaning the building and getting it ready for use. Some equipment will be sent from the warehouse in Mecca soon.

Only a small part of the USAOM equipment is available now and no word has been received on the status of the main requisition, sent in January for procurement.

The staff for the Center are being recruited by the Ministry of Health with the aid of the WHO Public Health Advisor. They will most likely come from Egypt and should be available soon. It is hoped that within the next month the Center can begin functioning.

Other

Revised budget forms were prepared for the Division of Health and Sanitation for FY-1955, covering the Technical Assistance Program and separately that for Special Economic Aid.

Education

The months of February and March were very active months for the Education Division. The new Minister of Education asked that an organizational plan be developed for the new Ministry, specifying positions and general organizational arrangement. Much time was consumed in drafting a detailed organizational chart and graphically indicating the organizational procedure and suggested flow of business through this organization. After preparing this material in graphic form, numerous conferences were held with the Minister and members of his immediate staff for the purpose of reviewing the justification for positions and the reasoning that entered into their development. After much discussion on the subject, the organization was modified to coincide with the expressed desires of the new Minister and new charts were developed. These, in turn, were reviewed and, in light of further considerations, changed and a new chart prepared. In all, six different organizational charts were prepared during the month of February with the

final draft being accepted as the basis on which the Ministry would attempt to organize for business after the approval of its annual budget request.

Upon the finalization of organizational arrangements, the Minister requested that job specifications and lines of authority be defined and specified in detail for all positions of importance as set forth in the organizational arrangement. This was done with the submission of some forty pages of material to the Minister for his consideration. Every effort was made to comply with his request and the work was done with the expenditure of a great amount of effort in order to satisfy the urgency of the Minister's request.

Simultaneously with the request of the Minister of Education, the Minister of Communications called on the Chief of Education to make similar graphic analyses of the Ministry of Communications, along with job specifications and functional procedures for the handling of business. These requests were likewise handled under forced draft and concluded on schedule and apparently to the complete satisfaction of the Minister.

On February 20, the Chief of the Education Division went to Beirut to attend a conference at American University for the purpose of reconsidering the contractual arrangements with this institution that would provide for a more equitable financial situation for the University and a broader service to the various country missions from the standpoint of training. Reports on this meeting and recommendations from the training officials in attendance, including the President of AUB and members of his staff, have gone forward to the Washington office. The results of the meeting, insofar as the conclusions reached were concerned, can be considered extremely successful and should the recommendations of the group be followed, it is anticipated that much benefit will result to the respective missions in the Middle East from the standpoint of increased training service and educational assistance.

Upon the conclusion of the meeting, and in company with Mr. Corson, Country Director, the educational institutions of Egypt, particularly Cairo, were visited with the view to finding adequate facilities for training closer than the United States to Saudi Arabia. The Ministry of Education in Cairo was visited and numerous conferences were held with educational officials of both the Ministry and USAID/Egypt. Fouad and American Universities were visited, and the Heliopolis Trade School, along with some fundamental educational centers that were being developed under the sponsorship of the United Nations Educational Mission to Egypt. The only training center that offered any possibility of use was the Heliopolis Trade School; however, their facilities were in the process of development and I was advised that they were not yet ready to participate in a regional training arrangement. It is important to note that up to the present time there have been no technical training schools discovered in the Middle East that can be used for training technicians from Saudi Arabia. This is a great handicap because many of the technicians could more advantageously, because of language barriers, be trained in the region rather than sending them to the United States.

Natural Resources

Most of the staff of the Natural Resources Division have been occupied making field investigations during the month of March. Reports from the field have been very sketchy, therefore detailed information cannot be given at this time.

Dr. Glen Brown departed from Jidda on March 1st and has been in the field the entire month. He has concerned himself primarily with the investigations of the mineralized zones in the general vicinity of Dhala and Abha.

Mr. Richard Hogue has been in the field the entire month of March. He has been making detailed investigations of various mineralized zones in the Dhala area in conjunction with Mr. Dan Schaffner of the Saudi Department of Mines and Companies.

Mr. Gus Goudarzi has been in the field the entire month of March. He has been making detailed mineral investigations in the area southeast of Abha.

Mr. Roy Jackson made a reconnaissance of the Wadi Fatima-Taif-Hamma-Dafan area during the period March 8th to 12th for the purpose of establishing geodetic control and obtaining geologic and geographic information. During the remainder of the month he has been occupied computing geodetic positions and preparing mosaic sheets for publication.

Drilling activities during the month of March included the drilling of two wells in the Darb area. The contract between USAOM and Michael Baker, Incorporated for the operation of the Saudi Water Resources Division was terminated as of the end of the month. All equipment is now in the hands of GOVSCO.

Transportation and Communications

During the first week of this month, Mr. Albright, Engineer with the Civil Aeronautics Authority stationed at Beirut, was in Jidda for the purpose of discussing and looking over sites for the installation of Visual Omni Range equipment for the Jidda Airport.

From November 11 to 22, inclusive, a field trip was made to Gizan and return for the purpose of looking over the present highway and the harbor at Gizan, in connection with proposed improvements to be made both along the highway and at the harbor, in order that the harbor may be opened up as an additional port of entry for this country on the Red Sea.

The Ministers are still in Riyadh and we are patiently awaiting their return to Jidda inorder that we may find out what the prospects are of implementing our various projects.

b. Local Participation (Nothing to report).

c. Training

Education

Five aircraft trainees departed for the States during the latter part of March. These are the first five new trainees to be sent to the United States from applications submitted during this fiscal year.

On March 25, in response to an invitation from Prince Talal, Minister of Communications, the Chief of the Education Division went to Riyadh to discuss the Dammam Training School Project and a leadership grant for a high official of the Ministry.

Two trainees returned to Saudi Arabia from the States during this two-month period just ended; One, Chief Tewfic, who had just concluded a leadership grant, and the other, Mr. Omar Zaki of the Saudi Arabian Customs, who had just concluded a Type C Training Grant. Both of these individuals were very enthusiastic about their training and the kind of treatment they received during their stay in the States. In the case of Mr.Zaki, steps have been taken to secure a promotion for him in the Customs Office and for him to be assigned to work with the Government Services Division of the USA Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia in the future. In the case of Mr. Tewfic, he has been promoted to Assistant Director General of the Police Forces. Certainly up to this moment it can be concluded that the investment for the training of these two individuals has proven worthwhile.

SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for." The substance in the form of project agreements and work plans now repose at Riyadh, and for their approval we hope for the best. Reality forces us to be reminded that there must be agreement on both sides of the fence line before the fence can be cooperatively built. We impatiently await the Ministers' return, for which there appears to be no hurry.

Harland J. Corson
Director
USA Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia

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SUBJECT · Application of Ahmad Abbas Nugali for Type C FOA Training Grant in Aircraft Instrument Repair and Maintenance

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SUMMARY

The application forms FOA-582 and FOA-583 in quadruplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 25 parts, for a Type C training grant in aircraft instrument repair and maintenance, along with strong recommendations for approval from all participating agencies of both governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant has been carefully and impartially selected by the American personnel of the Saudi Arabian Airlines as being fitted by experience, ability and personal characteristics to profit to the maximum degree from the training program for which the grant is requested. The objective of the training program desired is to become proficient under the rules and regulations and licensing procedures of the U. S. Civil Aeronautics Authority to maintain, repair and overhaul aircraft instruments.

The training program is to extend over a twelve month period and all forms and documents required of the applicant are going forward under a single cover. The candidate speaks, reads and writes English with above average proficiency and his comprehension is excellent. Training can be started without concern for language handicap.

The cost of international travel is to be borne by SAC. All other expenses will be borne by the United States in accordance with rules and regulations governing grants of this kind.

Local security clearance is assured. The funds to defray the ex-

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pense of this training program are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-40L470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

Earliest telegraphic advice of approval though more detailed notification shall follow.

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SUBJECT - Changes in specifications and additional funds.

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Increase in Obligation 254 approved as listed in USFOTO A-112.

Item 37: Needed. Used as manipulating cover on rearing cages.

No objections to the other changes in specifications as listed in USFOTO A-112 and USFOTO A-116.

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   1 each Adult Scale
   1 each Infant Scale
   500 each B-D Vacutainer Blood Collecting Tubes
   1 gross B-D Vacutainer Needles
   3 each Collyer Pelvimeters
   2 each Bowels Stethascopes
   2 each Tycos, Aneroid, Lock type cuff - in case
   1 gross Finger Cots
   1 gross Medicine Droppers

2. Send Air Freight 30 days or sooner.

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SUMMARY

The application forms FOA-582 and FOA-583 in quadruplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 17 parts, for Type C training grant in banking, along with strong recommendations for approval from all participating agencies of both governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant has been carefully selected by the administrative personnel of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency and USAOM as being fitted by experience, ability and personal characteristics to profit to the maximum degree from the training program for which the grant is requested. The objective of the training program desired is to become proficient in the practical application of banking procedures, particularly those affecting international credit, through an on-the-job training program in an operating bank in the United States doing a volume of business in international finance affairs. The training program is to extend over twelve months and all forms and documents required of the applicant are going forward under single cover.

The candidate speaks, reads and writes English with above average proficiency and his comprehension is satisfactory. Training can be started upon arrival in the United States without concern for an English language deficiency.

The cost of international travel is to be borne by the Monetary Agency of Saudi Arabia and all other expenses will be borne by the

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United States in accordance with the rules and regulations governing grants of this kind. The funds to defray the expense of this training program are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019. Local security clearance is assured.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

Earliest telegraphic advice of approval though more detailed notification may follow.

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Request that we be furnished a copy of the NSA (ECA) Commodity Code Book.

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SUMMARY

The application Form DSP-27 in triplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 15 parts, for Type "C" training grant in Railroad Security Operation and Administration, along with recommendations for approval from all participating agencies of both Governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant has been selected by the American personnel of the Saudi Government Railroad as being fitted by experience, ability and personal characteristics to profit from the training program for which this grant is requested. The objective of the training program desired is to become familiar with the scientific investigational and operational procedures employed by American railroads in protecting property and the traveling public, as well as to become familiar with organizational and administrative practices in the conduct of an adequate railroad security program.

The training program is to extend over a twelve month period and all forms and documents required of the applicant are going forward under a single cover. The candidate speaks, reads and writes English with above average proficiency and his comprehension is excellent. Training can be started without concern for language handicap.

The cost of international travel is to be borne by SAG. All other expenses will be borne by the United States in accordance with rules and regulations governing grants of this kind.

The funds to defray the expenses of this training program are

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ACTION RECOMMENDED

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Request that 300 complete sets of Form FOA-582 be sent to this Mission. Due to the fact that we are completely out of this form, it is further requested that 50 sets of this form be sent via Air Pouch.

TAYLOR, Acting

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FROM · Jidda

SUBJECT · Application of Hashim Ahmed Madani for Type C FOA Training Grant in Business Administration

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SUMMARY

The application Form FOA-582 in quadruplicate, including all supporting documents, approximately 15 parts, for Type "C" training grant in Business Administration, along with recommendations for approval from all participating agencies of both Governments and interested officials.

APPLICATION

The applicant is fitted by training, experience and English speaking ability to successfully pursue business training which he hopes to secure through an FOA Type C training grant. The training requested cannot be secured in the Middle East. The need for skill in the occupational area in which training is requested is significant in the light of need in the Ministry of Finance. Particularly is this so in the training of personnel needed to implement recommendations of the technical staff in Government Services of the USAOM to Saudi Arabia.

The training program is to extend over a twelve month period and all forms and documents required in connection with the application are going forward under single cover.

The cost of international travel is to be borne by SAG. All other expenses will be paid by the U. S. Government in accordance with the regulations governing grants of this kind.

The funds to defray the expense of this training program are budgeted and available under Allotment Account C-401470, Appropriation Symbol 72-112/41019.

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Earliest telegraphic advice of approval though more detailed advice shall follow.

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SUBJECT · Separation Allowance - Edward F. Sinclair

REFERENCE · TOUSFO A-73, USFOTO A-99, TOUSFO A-109

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Request status of separation allowance for Edward F. Sinclair.

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In order to bring our FOA Manuals up to date, it is requested that we be furnished 5 copies each of FOA Manual Order Transmittal Letters Gen-1 and Gen-2.

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Post Report Supplements

REFERENCE - USFOTO Circular A-55 dtd Apr. 14, 1954
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1. The Tariff Order issued by Royal Decree on November 17, 1952 lists firearms as one of the items prohibited from importation. However, application can be made for permission to import firearms. It is recommended that import permission be requested for rifles or shotguns only. The person wishing permission to import the firearms should supply the Mission with the number, make, size, serial number and number of rounds of ammunition. The Mission will then apply for permission. Under no circumstances should the firearms be shipped until notice has been received that such permission has been granted.

2. Experience has been that most parcels containing gifts, etc., going to persons in the United States have not cost the recipient duty. This, however, is the result of difference in interpretation of the regulations by U. S. Government officials.

APO is available and parcels can be forwarded. Pouch facilities are not available. Parcels can be shipped via international mail but it is not advisable (1) because of the large number of items lost, and (2) in all known cases duty has been charged. The practice of the Mission personnel of sending all parcels APO makes the procedure and limitations subject to U.S. postal regulations.

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3. The only available commissary is located at the Air Force Base at Dhahran some 900 miles from Jidda. The practice is to consolidate an order approximately every other month.

4. Adequate automobile insurance is available locally. Liability insurance is not mandatory.

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FROM · Jidda

SUBJECT · Copies of Personnel Actions on Foreign National Employees

REFERENCE · USFOTO NA-27 dated February 19, 1954

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			Washington TOUSFO A-123

Please advise if the communication under reference refers also to the accounting copies, i.e., copy numbers 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8 of Form FS-349, formerly submitted to the General Accounting Office, Department of State.

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SUBJECT · PERSONNEL: Leave Records - American Personnel assigned to USAOM.

REFERENCE · Embassy's OM dated March 19, 1954

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		Washington TOUSFO A - 124

Please advise disposition of 1953 TCA/DMS leave cards.

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FROM - Jidda

SUBJECT - Personnel data - Mary E. Parrish

REFERENCE - (Check one before each address)

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TM-4 Mary E. Parrish Arrived Jidda April 20. Please Advise Length of Government Service and Accumulated leave Balances.

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FROM · Jidda

SUBJECT · Applications of Messrs. Marzougi, Mukhtar, Abudawood, Yousuf, Matbouli and Hattab for attendance and training for 30 days in the In-service Seminar in Public Administration at American University of Beirut

REFERENCE · (Check one before each address)

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SUMMARY

Six application Forms 582 in quadruplicate including all four Forms 583 and supporting documents, approximately ten parts for each application for a special training Seminar of thirty days duration at American University of Beirut in Public Administration. The applicants whose names are listed above are government administrative officials recommended by participating agencies of both SAG and the U.S. Government and interested officials to attend this Seminar in accordance with all provisions governing cooperation between the two Governments in matters of international training.

APPLICATIONS

The applicants have been selected because of the positions they currently hold in the administrative branches of SAG and the appropriateness of the training they desire with respect to the responsibilities they perform in connection with their daily employment. The six applicants fill Saudi Arabia's quota assigned to the country for this In-service Seminar at American University of Beirut which is to operate for one month starting July 3, 1954.

The applicants have been strongly recommended by officials of both Governments. The SAG will pay all salaries while in training and the cost of international travel. The United States will defray the cost of training and subsistence in accordance with specific arrangements with American University of Beirut.

Since the Seminar will be conducted in the Arabic language, it has not been necessary to evaluate the English speaking ability of the candidates.

The funds to defray the expenses of this training program are budgeted and available under allotment Account 073-41-4C, Appropriation Symbol

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-127 UNCLASSIFIED 1 1
WASHINGTON

Date sent:
May 18, 1954

FROM : Jidda

SUBJECT: Separation Dates of Employees Returned to United States

1. The below named employees, who are paid from Appropriation 72-112/41019 and Allotment 073-41-4C, departed from this Post for the United States on the days indicated:

Code	Name	Pos.Control #	Field	Departure
(A)	NIXON, Roy W.	SA-Ag-13	Agriculture	abt. Dec. 2, 1953
(B)	STEWART, C. Verne	SA-Ag-4	- " -	Feb. 6, 1954
(C)	BRINCK, Neil	SA-FSA-7	Health & Sanit.	Aug. 25, 1953
(D)	FERGUSON, Gerald W.	SA-FSA-1	- " -	Jan. 2, 1954
(E)	DOUGHERTY, Donald F.	SA-Int-5	Natural Resources	Oct. 10, 1953
(F)	DUNAWAY, John A.	SA-7-T	Public Administr.	Nov. 7, 1953
(G)	GEORGE, Diana A.	SA-13	General Program	Sept. 12,1953

2. We understand that the above are no longer employees of this Mission, although no SF 50 or other notification to that effect has been received.

3. In order that our accounting records may accurately reflect obligations, it is requested that you advise us BY CABLE with respect to each of the employees listed of the effective date of discontinuance of (1) post differential and (2) base salary, in the sequence stated, using the above code symbols (A) to (G) to indicate the employee referred to. Month and day will suffice for this purpose; the year need not be given. When only one date is mentioned, it will be assumed that it applies to post differential as well as base salary.

4. Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated to permit adjustments before the end of the current fiscal year.

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Harland J. Corson, Director	JBode/mcp	Adm.	5/18/54

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-128 UNCLASSIFIED 1 1
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Date sent:
May 20, 1954

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE: USFOTO Circular A-18, December 22, 1953

Mr. Thelbert F. Taylor has been designated as Deputy Fair Employment Officer.

Authorizing Officer	Drafted by	Office	Date
Harland J. Corson, Director	TFTaylor:mep	Adm.	5/20/54

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Date sent: 5-22-54

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Stories for Release in US

REFERENCE: USFOTO Circular A-56

Mr. Edward Betzig has been designated to pull together material for despatch to FOA/W, Office of Public Reports. He will be responsible for providing story material and pictures on a regular basis.

Authorizing Officer	Drafted by	Office	Date
Gilbert J. Taylor			
Harland J. Corson, Director	TFTaylor:o	Adm.	5-22-54

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-130 WASHINGTON UNCLASSIFIED 1 1

Date sent: 5-22-54

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Proposed Distribution of Issuances

REFERENCE: USFOTO Circular A-38

No changes are necessary.

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Shelbert L. Taylor for Harland J. Corson, Director	TFTaylor:o	Adm.	5-18-54

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-131 UNCLASSIFIED 1 1

WASHINGTON

Date sent: 5-22-54

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: American Catalog Files

REFERENCE: USFOTO Circular A-64

Currently the Administration Office has a small catalog file used primarily by technicians to get specifications for project equipment and supplies. On occasion the file has been used by FAO and WHO representatives and some local business men. We regard the file as of definite value and will seek to publicize its existence amongst Ministry officials and the business public.

We would be interested in being placed on the mailing list of the Office of Small Business. The Mission's APO address follows:

American Embassy (USOM/SA)
APO 616 (Box 3), c/o PM
New York, N.Y.

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO #A-132 UNCLASSIFIED 1 1
WASHINGTON

Date sent: 5-23-54

FROM: Jidda, Saudi Arabia

SUBJECT: Data for Biographic Requests

REFERENCE: USFOTO CIRC A 62

The remaining Biographic Data forms will be forwarded as soon as possible.

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Shelbert T. Taylor for Harland J. Corson	TTTaylor/ern	Adm.	5-23-54

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-133 CONFIDENTIAL 1 3

WASHINGTON Date sent: 5-29-54

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Potential Pubad Trainees Rida Murshid, Bakur Abbas Khomais, and Wasfi Essee.

REFERENCE: USFOTO 385; TOUSFO 440; USFOTO A-83.

We are repeating letter of March 29 to Mr. Paul F. Taggart, to which the aforementioned messages refer. Your expeditious consideration of this request is earnestly solicited.

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March 29, 1954

"Mr. Paul F. Taggart
Chief, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Syria Division
Near East, South Asia and Africa Operations
Foreign Operations Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Paul:

"We were prepared to cable you concerning the advice contained in your USFOTO A-83 of March 3; however, it was decided that it would be more desirable to discuss the matter referred to in this communication through the means of a letter.

"We would like to request reconsideration of the three mentioned applicants, particularly Bakur Abbas Khomais whose training program, though different from the routine training arrangements currently available through our Washington organization, should be implemented as recommended. We are conscious of the fact that the applications of Murshid and Essee could be considered less desirable than other candidates whose applications we have submitted. Their personal characteristics and the knowledge of the situation as it exists in Saudi Arabia has tipped the balances in favor of our decision to submit the applications of these two latter individuals. We believe that, should our recommendations in connection with these two men be followed, the results will be beneficial because we know them and their personal qualities which set them apart from many of the Saudi Government employees.

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Harland J. Corson, Director	RDDolley:o	Div. of Education	May 29, 1954

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"In the case of Mr. Khomais, his training program has been very carefully considered, both from the standpoint of personal qualities and characteristics as well as to the service that he will be called upon to render upon his return to Saudi Arabia. He is not an ordinary candidate, nor is this an ordinary training request. We have recommended his application and Mr. Khomais very highly and would like to reiterate our convictions with respect to his case.

"He currently is an employee of the Ministry of Finance who for the past six to eight months has been assigned by the Ministry of Finance to the direct assistance of the USA Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia, particularly the Division of Education. His full salary and expenses amount to approximately 900 Riyals per month and are paid by the Saudi Arabian Government. His office is with the Division of Education. His efforts in interpreting, translating and assisting in the processing and documentation of training applications have been indispensable.

"His long experience with the American Embassy and an English speaking organization, the SAMS gold mining corporation, has given him a background of experience that few Saudi Arabians have, particularly on this side of the country. Aside from this background, he is a man of high motives and ideals, pleasing personality, impeccable in his attire, with a real objective in life. We have considered him one of our finest prospects for training in the United States. He has attended evening classes in the Commercial School sponsored by our Mission ever since the organization of the school. In addition, he has supported it, promoted it, and otherwise been of extreme service in making our efforts a constructive reality in connection with this project.

"His training program has been recommended in the light of conditions with which the government is currently faced in the transaction of its rapidly increasing business. As you probably know, all secretarial and clerical assistance in Saudi Arabia are males. No women are employed in any of the government offices or for that matter in any of the government activities. This means that the volume of clerical work in the government agencies has to be performed by men and currently by men who have no conception of modern methods and training barely above the level of Arabic writing ability. Aside from the typewriter, there are few, if any, modern machines used in the transaction of government business. We are attempting to give training on some modern business machines in our Commercial School and employers have in many instances purchased modern machines which stand idle because of the inability of their employees to run them or to understand the value of their services in the discharge of the business of their offices.

"These modern business machines are going to be amplified in the Commercial School but again we find our efforts inhibited because we have no one upon whom we can draw who understands their operation or possesses the skill to run them convincingly or skillfully. The need for modern methods and ability in the government offices is beyond description.

"Mr. Khomais, above all others, has been selected because we feel he has the capacity to acquire the skills in the use of these modern machines and the ability to transmit his

knowledge not only to trainees but in the improvement of procedures as far as business is concerned in the governmental agencies of Saudi Arabia. The Ministry of Finance is committed to this training program and has agreed to make Mr. Khomais' services available to other governmental agencies and particularly the Commercial School, upon his return. The training program that we have designed and recommended, as you may see after this explanation, coincides directly with the ultimate objective towards which we are striving and for which we want Mr. Khomais trained.

"Your communication stated further that the training desired could be secured on an inter-country basis. This suggestion cannot be followed because it is absolutely impossible to secure the kind of training we have requested for Mr. Khomais anywhere closer than the United States. There are no means of providing the kind of training we have in mind in the Middle East. Our present contractual arrangement with AUB precludes the possibility of this University being of any assistance whatsoever in the training program as far as Saudi Arabia is concerned. Until changes have been made in the present arrangement for assistance through AUB, we are prevented from using any of their instructional facilities; however, even though it were possible to send Mr. Khomais to AUB, their facilities to give the kind of training that we are requesting are completely inadequate. We feel that this training program, though it does not fit directly within the purview of some government agency's training schedule, deserves more than perfunctory consideration. We feel that such training as we have requested is available through private schools in Washington or New York and that arrangements for Mr. Khomais' training through these private schools could be made with relatively little difficulty.

"It might be that, rather than referring to this training program as one of public administration to be handled by the Bureau of the Budget, the program might be more appropriately considered as an educational program to be handled through the U.S. Office of Education.

"We earnestly solicit your reconsideration of Mr. Khomais' candidacy and early advice concerning your decision.

"Yours sincerely,

Harland J. Corson
Director
USA Operations Mission to Saudi Arabia"

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-134 WASHINGTON UNCLASSIFIED 1 4

June 8, 1954

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Visit of A. J. Van Dyke, Transportation Specialist (Highway Engineer), to Saudi Arabia for the purpose of discussing the furtherance of the proposed highway program for this country.

There is authorized for Saudi Arabia for the fiscal year 1954 under the Special Economic Aid program an amount of $3,350,000. This amount is proposed for four types of projects. They are as follows:

1.	Water Development	$2,000,000	
2.	Harbor Development - Gizan Harbor	$100,000	(survey, design & construction
3.	Abha Dam Project	250,000	"
4.	Abha-Taif Road	1,000,000	(engineering & lab equipment

At this time, project agreements, except that covering #1 above, have been agreed upon by the respective Ministries of Saudi Arabia and USOM. It is assumed that these agreements will be approved by the Council of Ministers during its present session, and this report and recommendations are being based upon that assumption.

Other than the single road mentioned above, the #4 agreement covers other roads. They are as follows: Jidda-Gizan, Mecca-Taif, Taif-Abha, Riyadh-Al Kharj, and Riyadh-Diriyah. The Government of Saudi Arabia felt that in order to properly develop the highway scheme, it was necessary that this change be made and that the roads mentioned be developed. The Mission agreed that this would be a more proper arrangement.

Quite a bit of work has been done on the water development program under Technical Assistance in the way of aerial photography, compilation of maps and mosaics, ground geology, exploratory and production drilling, but this is the only part of the over-all program that is contemplated. The agreements #, under discussion, will be the springboard for all the parts of the Economic Aid Program.

Authorizing Officer	Drafted by	Office	Date
Harland J. Corson	A. J. Van Dyke	Adm.	6/8/54

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Neither the Government of Saudi Arabia nor the Foreign Operations Mission here has adequate personnel for designing and supervising the proposed program and it is essential that the staff be supplemented in some way so that the scheme as a whole goes forward in a rapid and efficient manner.

There do not exist in Saudi Arabia a sufficient number of trained engineers or those who are capable of being trained in a short while to properly handle the projects as proposed. There are no training centers of any nature other than those operated by private concerns for training their own employees. The educational level of the entire country is very low and even to obtain people with a high school education to train for middle class positions is an extremely difficult matter.

With the prospect of initiating a very considerable program soon and with the shortage of supervisory personnel, it seems obvious that probably the best method of properly handling the engineering aspects of obtaining field data, preparing plans and specifications, advertising for bids and supervising construction would be to utilize the facilities of an engineering consulting firm. An established organization of this nature would have employees that would be capable of doing the necessary engineering work in the various fields of harbors, dams, and roads. These specialized men would only have to spend the time in Saudi Arabia necessary to complete their phase of the work and as such, would be far more economical than for the mission to obtain specialist in various fields who would probably feel that they should be employed for time that would justify their leaving other positions in the United State Also, there must be a sufficient time lapse to form an organization, pu supplies and equipment. From every viewpoint, it seems highly advise a consulting firm be contacted with the idea of their group being em handle the harbor, dam, and road portions of the development progra Saudi Arabia.

It is believed that there are a sufficient number of oper ment available in Saudi Arabia to at least provide a training the necessary operators needed. Oil companys have operated had actual training schools.

An interview with officials of the Aramco Oil Comp the information that this company has trained operator period of twenty years and the officials advised the who were not working for the company at this time. advised that they had had great difficulty in tra so it would seem that repair of equipment would

The Aramco Company has built and maintai the Trans-Arabian Pipe Line from Sidon, Leb

that has a length of approximately 700 miles. This road plus many others built in exploration and development work in the oil fields, places this company in a position to state with authority the possibilities of training the nationals of Saudi Arabia. They state that the nationals are capable of becoming operators but very hard to make into repair men.

Aramco emphasized that it was necessary to standardize on equipment that may be brought here as it was difficult and expensive to maintain parts for a great variety of equipment. This feature should be carefully regarded and possibly lists of available equipment should be compiled before new equipment is purchased in order to correlate the new with the existing. It is not felt that any great amount of equipment will be reqired to be imported unless the program is expanded at a later time.

An interview with the Chief Engineer, Ministry of Communications, who is the Highway Engineer for the Government, brought forth an agreement that the best way to further the highway program was through the use of an engineering consulting firm. It was thought that the duties of the firm employed should also include provisions for the development of the Department of Public Works and the institution of a testing laboratory and training in this field. These arrangements should be made when a firm is contracted for.

It is believed that survey parties of the Department of Public Works should be trained by the consulting firm. It will be very difficult to develop design engineers and specification writers, however, unless engineers are trained who are working here and are not nationals. The supply of nationals available for this type of training is nil.

It is believed essential that a certain fund be established for maintenance of the roads constructed under this program. The consulting firm should advise on this feature and also establish a training program that will insure that the maintenance angle shall not be neglected.

In addition to the actual functions mentioned, it should also be the duty of the consulting firm to advise with the Government of Saudi Arabia and with the Mission regarding the over-all highway development program and this study may result in the finding that the roads as set forth in the agreement be supplemented or changed in some manner. There has been considerable thought on this feature and it is believed that the plan as set forth is correct but the consultants should at least review the program. It should be remembered that the road scheme may possibly be more determined by reasons political than economical.

It should be agreed with the consulting firm that training of nationals be a definite part of the duties. The Government of Saudi Arabia should supply counterparts for each of the engineers that the consultants bring to

this country. In no instance should the firm members be in a position to be in direct charge, but rather act as advisors and consultants to the national who will be designated as the supervisor, engineer, or any similar title.

It is felt that no high type roads should be constructed under this program but rather "phase construction" should be adopted. No pavement should be planned or constructed until it is apparent that traffic developments justify this expenditure. The location and features such as grades and alighment should be about on a par with the secondary road system of the United States. Graded roads will suffice in most instances and only surface such as gravel or crushed rock being provided when natural soil conditions are such that it will not support traffic. Phase construction is that which is adequate for the present and of such nature that the roadbed and other features may readily be expanded when the demand exists.

It is recommended that as soon as the agreements now under discussion become legal, an engineering consulting firm be contacted immediately in order that the program will not be delayed.

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Jidda, Saudi Arabia TOUSFO A-135 UNCLASSIFIED 1 1
WASHINGTON

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE: USFOTO CIRC NA-62

This Mission would appreciate the opportunity to comment on any reclassification resulting in a higher grade allocation than that requested.

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SUBJECT: Schooling for Dependents

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There are no suitable regular elementary or secondary schools available to dependents either in Jidda or other Saudi Arabian cities. Recently a group of American parents stationed in Jidda organized a private school giving instruction from kindergarten through the eighth grade, using the Calvert System. The rates charged cover expenses only and do not include the cost of course material. The latter, when purchased on a group basis, costs $32.00 per year for the first grade and $50 per year for the second through the eighth grades. School charges to cover operating expenses are as follows:

Kindergarten	$10.00 per month per child.
Grades	$25.00 per month for one child.
	$20.00 per month for second child.
	$15.00 per month for subsequent children.

In addition, an annual registration charge of $10.00 per child is made. The number of children who can attend the school is limited and entrance is dependent upon there being an opening. The school operates on an informal basis and without official Saudi Government authorization.

If personnel were stationed on the east coast, parents would have to use the Calvert system or some similar system to educate their children. [redacted]

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WASHINGTON

DATE: June 11, 1954

FROM: Jidda

SUBJECT: Monthly Program Summary - May 1954

SECTION I. CRITIQUE

During the month under report, no agreements either TA or SEA were executed. The Director was summoned to Riyadh by the Crown Prince to discuss and execute such agreements. During the last few days of his stay there, certain political issues came to a head which resulted in the Council of Ministers postponing the execution of such agreements on which accord had been reached.

It is most unfortunate that USAOM found itself an innocent bystander, especially since the issues in question were most remote from the activities or objectives of Point IV. It is hoped that this situation will be clarified very shortly and USAOM will be in a position whereby it can continue its work in Saudi Arabia.

SECTION II. OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. Progress

Agriculture

Project agreements for FY 1954 have not been signed by the Minister of Agriculture. Time has become very short for using FY 1954 funds, and the continued delay tends to create personnel problems.

May is the month of Ramadan and activity by division personnel and their counterparts has been almost at a standstill.

Mr. Parker is in Ethiopia studying livestock development there. Earlier in the month, he opened the pit silo in Wadi Khulais to demonstrate to farmers how succulent feed can be provided livestock at any time in the year and how green feeds in season can be preserved in this manner. This demonstration was on the farm of a leading Shaikh in the Khulais community.

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Mr. Rountree has continued to work with the farmers in Wadi Fatima to whom he had distributed seed and fertilizer. Results have been satisfactory.

Mr. Barham at Hofuf reports that farmers are well pleased with the seed furnished to them. Vegetables from these seeds sold on the local market have created much favorable comment.

After visiting important farming areas, Mr. Gibbs, Soil Scientist, is making plans for soil and water studies to be conducted at Wadi Khulais, Hofuf, Qatif, and Dammam. It is planned to devote much time to instructing farmers in water management.

The Waterspreading and Range Management Leaders Conference held at Amman, Jordan, was attended by Messrs. Schwan, Edens, and Ibrahim Mohammed Abu Boutain, counterpart to Mr. Schwan in Desert Range Management.

Health and Sanitation

Field work continued the entire month on Malaria Control in Wadi Khulais. The time has been spent in preparing the field camp site so that it will be in readiness before the spray program begins in September. It also aids the city-bred Saudi Arabian personnel assigned to this program to adjust to desert life so that when the program gets underway, they can devote their time and energy to the program instead of constant attention to daily living necessities. Because of the intense heat and Ramadan, the work has not proceeded as fast as desired.

The camp site has been cleaned and set out in an orderly manner. A requisition has been placed for sufficient pipe and water tanks to supply the camp with water and eliminate the time required to haul water. This will be most important when the time comes for mixing DDT and the actual spray programs start in September. The supplies and equipment will be obtained either from the Ministry of Health stores or by USAOM/SA local requisitions. A number of items have been on requisition for some time but have not been purchased as yet.

During the next months, the spraying equipment will be assembled, repaired, and put in readiness for use. Workers will be secured through the Ministry of Health in time to train them in spray work.

A continued check is being kept on the people for malaria and on the mosquito population in the Wadi Khulais villages. The Malariologist hopes to obtain a small electric generator that may be used to show films in Arabic on Malaria Control and house spraying to the people in the area prior to the start of the spraying program. It is hoped that this will be an aid in securing their cooperation. It will also provide light for the camp.

It is hoped that the necessary laboratory equipment requisitioned through FOA/W some months ago will arrive before Fall so that the laboratory can be set up for use. Plans are made to begin a survey for Bilharzia and other intestinal parasites as soon as the anti-malaria spraying is over.

A concerted effort is being made by SAG to complete all the necessary construction work at the Quarantine Station so that it will be ready by July 1954 for the Pilgrims. USAOM/SA plans for construction and remodeling are being carried out by GOVEMCO, SAG contractors.

The steam boilers will be housed in the building originally intended to be used as the morgue. This building is being enlarged to accommodate the boilers. The Ministry of Health has decided that the morgue should be located outside the Quarantine Station compound and they have started a new building.

The salt water system, including piping, storage tank, and a large underground tank, is nearing completion.

The six-inch transit water pipeline from Jidda is about 50 percent completed. Work has slowed down during Ramadan as the laborers work only a few hours a day.

The USAOM/SA Sanitary Engineer spent two weeks in Dhahran conferring with Aramco engineers on problems relating to water softening, boiler installation and maintenance, steam line installation, fuel and reservoir location and the handling of the heat problem in the autoclave rooms. This period of consultation was most helpful and afforded many new approaches to these problems.

It is expected that all USAOM/SA equipment for the Quarantine Station will arrive in Jidda by June 15, 1954.

No progress can be reported on the development of the Maternal and Child Health Center in over a month. It has been impossible to contact anyone in the Jidda office the Ministry of Health as only the clerks have been on duty. The Ministry has given no indication as to its plans for staffing and opening the Center.

USAOM/SA has fulfilled its part of the agreement to date and can only await the Ministry's decision as to when the Center will begin to function. Many of the supplies, requisitioned by USAOM/SA for the Center, have arrived and all of them will be here within the next month.

The SAG still wants USAOM/SA to furnish the necessary laboratory equipment for the establishment of a Vaccine Laboratory. This laboratory is now to be established in Jidda and a Project Agreement for the securing of the equipment was signed on April 30, 1954, by the Minister of Health and the Director of USAOM/SA.

Education

Textbooks and instructional material ordered for the Commercial School were removed from customs where they have been for four months. They have been placed in the warehouse awaiting the signing of the project agreement.

The month of May has been a very busy one although there have been no significant developments. Much depends upon current negotiations being carried on in Riyadh between the Prime Minister and Director, USAOM/SA. Should all projects previously agreed upon be signed as the result of these conferences, the problem of organization and work will be greater than ever before.

Natural Resources

Reconnaissance mapping of geology and geography continued during the month. Arrangements were made with the Arabian American Oil Company to prepare a joint geologic map of the peninsula in accordance with the Finance Minister's request of October 25, 1953, and work on the compilation was started during May. A map on a scale of 1 - 4,000,000 will be presented within a few weeks, followed by sheets prepared on a scale of 1 - 500,000.

Public Administration

The Statistics Specialist is now engaged in making a survey of the work procedures and the practices followed in commodity and country classification, coverage, and valuation in the Saudi Arabian foreign trade statistics at Customs. Considerable attention during the period was given to the problem of establishing an adequate Commodity Classification Schedule for presentation of import-export statistics.

Activities of the Business Law Specialist during the month were directed toward developing necessary personal contacts and background in existing legal procedures, practices and published material relating to the organization and operation of companies. Worthwhile conferences were held with Shamir Shamma, one of the few attorneys in Jidda; Alex McCloud and Hasan Khalidi of the Monetary Agency, and Shaikh Ahmed Saleh Ba'aishon, President of the Commercial Court. Introductory and orientation meetings were held with His Excellency, Shaikh Abdul Aziz Suleiman, Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance, and Say'd Sami Kutbi of the Bureau of Mines and Companies, within whose jurisdiction company legislation falls. Preliminary attention was given to the possibility of enlisting the Saudis in the Contact Clearing Service, an exchange of opportunity ideas conducted by the Office of Small Business, FOA/W. Similar attention was directed toward a service regarding small factory plans. The latter service is offered by the Industrial Progress Division, FOA/W.

The Public Administration Division completed survey of that portion of the Ministry of Finance which is under the jurisdiction of H.E. Abdul Aziz Suleiman.

Further work on the review project will be delayed pending conference with H.E. Abdulla Sulaiman, Minister of Finance. A recommendation from Say'd Sami Kutbi has gone forward to the Minister to this effect.

Further activities of the Division include the following: Review at the request of E. T. Sanders, UNTAA Telecommunications Specialist, of the organizational aspects of a recommendation for a new Engineering Division for the Ministry of Communications. The Chief of Public Administration has made arrangements for a series of talks on Public Administration matters to the six Saudis who have been selected to attend the Public Administration Seminar at AUB Beirut, July 3-31. They will begin shortly after Ramadan.

c. Training

Agriculture

A training grant has been recommended for Abbas Al Rizani by the Chief of the Division. The grant is for one year's training in agricultural statistics. Word has been received that the Minister of Agriculture is holding the application under advisement.

Education

Six trainees in Public Administration were selected, applications processed and sent to FOA/W for clearance to attend an Institute in Public Administration at American University, Beirut, starting July 3, and closing July 31. Clearance also was obtained for these trainees at AUB. A seventh training grant application for Comparative law study at New York University was processed and sent to FOA/W.

Serious attempt was made to send six teachers to the Summer Institute at AUB. Notice of approval of the Institute by FOA/W was received late in April and the two months for security clearance allowed only two weeks for submission of applications to meet the scheduled deadlines of security and the opening of the summer session, July 6. This was not sufficient time for the Minister to select his candidates. It was necessary to cancel further efforts in this connection as of the middle of the month.

SECTION III. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture

Project agreements to establish a School of Agriculture, and an Agricultural Extension Service are being written for discussion with the Minister of Agriculture under the proposed FY 1955 budget.

Transportation and Communications

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Ramadan is with us this month and during that period there is not much of anything accomplished in Saudi Arabia.

Two conferences were held with the representative of the International Telephone Equipment Company of Chicago concerning automatic telephone systems for the cities of Riyadh, Medina, Mecca, and Taif.

SECTION IV. AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS

b. Agreements under Current Negotiation

Agriculture

As yet, the Agriculture Division has not experienced the execution of a FY 1954 project agreement. All of the FY 1954 project agreements are under current negotiation by the Director, USAOM/SA and Saudi officials at Riyadh.

Education

A summer school teacher training project for Saudi Arabia teachers at Taif was written for consideration of the Minister of Education.

Transportation and Communications

The Division is still awaiting the outcome of the meeting of the Council of Ministers currently being held at Riyadh concerning the signing of the Division's agreements.

d. Requests

Agriculture

At the request of Mr. Mohammad El Mously, a Jidda merchant, Messrs. Gibbs, Parker and Rountree made a survey of his farm and recommended a system of farming to follow.

Education

Mr. Anderson, Vocational Education Specialist, was requested by a Saudi school official, to serve on the committee for testing woodworking students at the Jidda Industrial School. He assisted in formulating the tests and in grading examinations.

SECTION V. PROGRAM INFORMATION

c. USAOM Activities

Education

A number of the films acquired from the Embassy were run to determine condition and suitability or adaptability for use in showing to Saudi nationals.

d. Technical Material

Agriculture

The study of date varieties by Mr. Nixon is ready to be bound when mimeographing of the manuscript can be completed. The bulletin he has written on "The Culture of Dates in the Eastern Province" is now being proof-read and will soon be ready for printing.

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The degree to which the Post Report applies to contract employees is dependent on the type of contract under which they are employed. In the past, men employed under contract to conduct aerial surveys and to make a railroad survey were provided with quarters in bachelor barracks by the Saudi Government. They ate in the mess of an American engineering-construction company. Due to the limited nature of the work, these men did not have their families with them.

However, if in the future contracts were made to employ technicians for work covering a longer time interval, as would be required in carrying out health or education projects, it is likely that houses and facilities would be provided for under the contract. In this case their living conditions would be quite similar to those outlined in the Post Report.

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